GOVERNMENT CODE

Payment to Public Agencies by Check

- **6157.** (a) The state, and each city, whether general law or chartered, county, and district, each subdivision, department, board, commission, body, or agency of the foregoing, shall accept personal checks drawn in its favor or in favor of a designated official thereof, in payment for any license, permit, or fee, or in payment of any obligation owing to the public agency or trust deposit, if the person issuing the check furnishes to the person authorized to receive payment satisfactory proof of residence in this state and if the personal check is drawn on a banking institution located in this state.
- (b) If any personal check offered in payment pursuant to this section is returned without payment, for any reason, a reasonable charge for the returned check, not to exceed the actual costs incurred by the public agency, may be imposed to recover the public agencys processing and collection costs. This charge may be added to, and become part of, any underlying obligation other than an obligation which constitutes a lien on real property, and a different method of payment for that payment and future payments by this person may be prescribed.

(c) The acceptance of a personal check pursuant to this section constitutes payment of the obligation owed to the payee public agency to the extent of the amount of the check as of the date of acceptance when, but not before, the check is duly paid.

(d) The provisions in subdivision (b) prohibiting a returned check charge being added to, and becoming a part of, an obligation which constitutes a lien on real property do not apply to obligations under the Veterans Farm and Home Purchase Act of 1974 (Article 3.1 (commencing with Section 987.50) of Chapter 6 of Division 4 of the Military and Veterans Code).

(Amended Ch. 233, Stats. 1992. Effective January 1, 1993.)

6158. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1463 of the Penal Code, the charges imposed by a court for a returned check shall be retained by the treasurer of the county in which the court is situated.

(Added Ch. 75, Stats. 1978. Effective January 1, 1979.)

Payment to Public Agencies by Credit Card

6159. (a) As used in this section:

- (1) "Credit card" means any card, plate, coupon book, or other credit device existing for the purpose of being used from time to time upon presentation to obtain money, property, labor, or services on credit.
- (2) "Card issuer" means any person, or his or her agent, who issues a credit card and purchases credit card drafts.
- (3) "Cardholder" means any person to whom a credit card is issued or any person who has agreed with the card issuer to pay obligations arising from the issuance of a credit card to another person.
 - (4) "Draft purchaser" means any person who purchases credit card drafts.

(b) Subject to subdivision (c), a court, city, county, city and county, or other public agency may authorize the acceptance of a credit card for any of the following:

- (1) The payment for the deposit of bail for any offense not declared to be a felony or for any court-ordered fee or fine. Use of a credit card pursuant to this paragraph may include a requirement that the defendant be charged any administrative fee charged by the credit card company for the cost of the credit card transaction.
 - (2) The payment of a filing fee or other court fee.
- (3) The payment of any towage or storage costs for a vehicle that has been removed from a highway, or from public or private property, as a result of parking violations.
- (4) The payment of child, family, or spousal support, including reimbursement of public assistance, related fees, costs, or penalties, with the authorization of the cardholder.
- (5) The payment for services rendered by any city, county, city and county, or other public agency.
- (6) The payment of any fee, charge, or tax due a city, county, city and county, or other public agency.
- (c) A court desiring to authorize the use of a credit card pursuant to subdivision (b) shall obtain the approval of the Judicial Council. A city desiring to authorize the use of a credit card pursuant to subdivision (b) shall obtain the approval of its city council. Any other public agency desiring to authorize the use of a credit card pursuant to

subdivision (b) shall obtain the approval of the governing body that has fiscal responsibility for that agency. After approval is obtained, a contract may be executed with one or more credit card issuers or draft purchasers. The contract shall provide for:

(1) The respective rights and duties of the court, city, county, city and county, or other public agency and card issuer or draft purchaser regarding the presentment, acceptability, and payment of credit card drafts.

(2) The establishment of a reasonable means by which to facilitate payment settlements.

(3) The payment to the card issuer or draft purchaser of a reasonable fee or discount.

(4) Any other matters appropriately included in contracts with respect to the purchase of credit card drafts as may be agreed upon by the parties to the contract.

(d) The honoring of a credit card pursuant to subdivision (b) hereof constitutes payment of the amount owing to the court, city, county, city and county, or other public agency as of the date the credit card is honored, provided the credit card draft is paid following its due presentment to a card issuer or draft purchaser.

(e) If any credit card draft is not paid following due presentment to a card issuer or draft purchaser or is charged back to the court, city, county, city and county, or other public agency for any reason, any record of payment made by the court, city, or other public agency honoring the credit card shall be void. Any receipt issued in acknowledgment of payment shall also be void. The obligation of the cardholder shall continue as an outstanding obligation as if no payment had been attempted.

(f) Notwithstanding Title 1.3 (commencing with Section 1747) of Part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code, a court, city, county, city and county, or any other public agency may impose a fee for the use of a credit card, not to exceed the costs incurred by the agency in providing for payment by credit card. These costs may include, but shall not be limited to, the payment of fees or discounts as specified in paragraph (3) of subdivision (c). Any fee imposed by a court pursuant to this subdivision shall be approved by the Judicial Council. Any fee imposed by any other public agency pursuant to this subdivision for the use of a credit card shall be approved by the governing body responsible for the fiscal decisions of the public agency.

(g) Fees or discounts provided for under paragraph (3) of subdivision (c) shall be deducted or accounted for prior to any statutory or other distribution of funds received from the card issuer or draft purchaser to the extent not recovered from the cardholder

pursuant to subdivision (f).

(h) The Judicial Council may enter into a master agreement with one or more credit card issuers or draft purchasers for the acceptance and payment of credit card drafts received by the courts. Any court may join in any of these master agreements or may enter into a separate agreement with a credit card issuer or draft purchaser.

(Amended Sec. 11.5, Čh. 824, Stats. 2001. Effective January 1, 2002. Supersedes Ch. 108.)

CHAPTER 2.6. STATE PAYMENT CARD ACT

(Amended Sec. 1, Ch. 926, Stats. 1995. Effective January 1, 1996.)

6160. The Legislature finds and declares that there are costs associated with all forms of payment, including cash and checks. The Legislature further finds and declares that by accepting payment by credit card or other payment devices, state agencies will be able to take advantage of new technologies that will improve their efficiency and will increase consumer convenience and choice by providing state consumers with an alternative method of payment.

(Added Sec. 1, Ch. 926, Stats. 1995. Effective January 1, 1996.)

6161. For the purposes of this chapter:

(a) "Cardholder" means a person making a payment to a state agency by credit card or payment device.

(b) "Credit card" shall have the same meaning as provided in subsection (k) of Section 1602 of Title 15 of the United States Code (Section 103(k) of the federal Truth in Lending Act, and regulations promulgated thereunder).

(c) "Director" means the Director of General Services.

(d) "In person" means from one natural person to another who, as an employee or other representative of a state agency, accepts payment and processes the payment according to the procedures of the agency.

(e) "Payment device" shall have the same meaning as the definition of "accepted card or other means of access" set forth in paragraph (1) of Section 1693a of Title 15 of the United States Code (Section 903(1) of the federal Electronic Fund Transfer Act), and

for purposes of this chapter shall also include a card that enables a person to pay for transactions through the use of value stored on the card itself.

- (f) "Person" means a natural person or an organization, including a corporation, partnership, limited liability company, proprietorship, association, cooperative, estate, trust, or government unit.
 - (g) "State agency" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Section 11000. (Added Sec. 1, Ch. 926, Stats. 1995. Effective January 1, 1996.)
- **6162.** (a) Except as provided in Section 6159, the Director of General Services, or his or her designee, may negotiate and enter into any contracts necessary to implement or facilitate the acceptance of credit cards or other payment devices by state agencies. The authority granted to the director pursuant to this section shall include the discretion to negotiate and agree to specific terms applicable to each state agency, including, but not limited to, the terms regarding any payment of fees to third parties for the acceptance of credit cards or other payment devices, types of payments, any limitations on amounts and limits of liabilities that would be eligible for payment by credit card or other payment device, and operational requirements.
- (b) The director may negotiate master contracts or other contracts that allow the cost-effective acceptance of payment by credit card or other payment device. Additionally, the director or any state agency negotiating these contracts shall use its best efforts to minimize the financial impact of credit card or other payment device acceptance on the state agency, taxpayers, and the public who use its services.
- (c) The director, in consultation with the Director of e-Government, shall take steps to encourage the adoption of standard payment policies and procedures for all state agencies. Furthermore, a state agency may enter into an interagency agreement with another state agency for the purposes of establishing uniform policies and acquiring equipment to support payment by credit card or other payment device.

(Amended Sec. 1, Ch. 427, Stats. 2001. Effective January 1, 2002.)

- **6163.** (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), all state agencies shall accept payment made by means of a credit card or other payment device.
- (2) (A) A state agency may request that the director grant an exemption from paragraph (1) if the agency determines that its acceptance of payments by credit card or other payment device would have any of the following results:
 - (i) It would not be cost-effective.
 - (ii) It would result in a net additional unfunded cost to the agency.
 - (iii) It would result in a shortfall of revenues to the State of California.
- (B) A request made pursuant to this paragraph shall state the reasons for the agency's determination. The director may request additional information from the requesting agency, and shall approve or deny the exemption request within 60 days of the receipt of all relevant information from the agency. The director also may request that the exemption be renewed on a periodic basis, and that the agency provide a plan for implementing paragraph (1).
- (C) In determining cost-effectiveness, an agency may consider more than one year. In determining the cost-effectiveness of accepting payment by credit card and other payment devices, the state agency shall consider all factors relating to costs and savings associated with accepting credit cards and other payment devices. However, an agency may accept payment by credit card or other payment device notwithstanding the cost-effectiveness, if, upon the agency's analysis, the additional level of customer service offered by these payment methods outweighs cost considerations.
- (D) "Costs" for the purposes of this subdivision shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
- (i) Amounts paid to a third party for accepting the credit card or other payment device.
- (ii) Equipment costs, including telephone and maintenance expenses.
- (iii) Labor costs of the state agency related to processing payments made by a credit card or other payment device.
- (E) "Savings" for the purposes of this subdivision shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 - (i) The use of the float by the applicable state agency.
- (ii) Reduction in bank fees that would be charged for payments made by cash and checks.
- (iii) The costs of handling cash, labor savings, theft or pilferage, reduced storage, and security and transit of handling and holding cash.
 - (iv) The costs of handling checks.

- (v) Dishonored check costs.
- (vi) Decreased facility needs.
- (vii) Increased collection of mandated payments.
- (viii) Increased sales of discretionary goods and services.
- (ix) Reduced paperwork.
- (x) Fewer in-person transactions, especially with the use of voice response units and kiosks.
- (3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a state agency shall not accept payment by credit card or other payment device if the state agency is unable to enter into the contracts on terms that are acceptable to the agency, or if the director acting on behalf of the agency is unable to enter into contracts on terms that are acceptable to the director and the agency, as are necessary to enable the agency to accept payment by credit card or other payment device.
- (4) If the Franchise Tax Board does not accept payment by credit card or other payment device as a result of this subdivision, then the law regarding credit card payments in existence prior to the effective date of the legislation adding this chapter shall apply to the Franchise Tax Board.

(b) The director may establish procedures to delegate the authority granted under this chapter to other state agencies so that these agencies may enter into contracts for accepting credit cards or other payment devices on behalf of the respective agency.

- (c) For entities established under Article VI of the California Constitution, the authority of the director under this chapter shall rest with the administrative director of those entities.
- (d) Any agency that intends to accept payment by credit card or other payment device pursuant to a master contract entered into by the director shall transmit a letter of intent so stating to the director.
 - (Amended Sec. 2, Ch. 427, Stats. 2001. Effective January 1, 2002.)
- **6164.** No officer or employee of a state agency, or other individual, who in the course of his or her employment or duty has or had access to credit card or payment device information provided to the state agency under this chapter shall disclose or make known in any manner information provided under this chapter or use the information for any unauthorized purpose. Any violation of this section shall be a misdemeanor.

(Added Sec. 1, Ch. 926, Stats. 1995. Effective January 1, 1996.)

6165. The Department of General Services and state agencies shall enter into interagency agreements to reimburse the Department of General Services for its costs in entering into contracts pursuant to this chapter.

(Added Sec. 1, Ch. 926, Stats. 1995. Effective January 1, 1996.)

Article 1. General Provisions

Inspection of Public Records

6250. In enacting this chapter, the Legislature, mindful of the right of individuals to privacy, finds and declares that access to information concerning the conduct of the people's business is a fundamental and necessary right of every person in this state.

(Amended Ch. 575, Stats. 1970. Effective November 23, 1970.)

Definitions

6252. As used in this chapter:

- (a) "State agency" means every state office, officer, department, division, bureau, board, and commission or other state body or agency, except those agencies provided for in Article IV (except Section 20 thereof) or Article VI of the California Constitution.
- (b) "Local agency" includes a county; city, whether general law or chartered; city and county; school district; municipal corporation; district; political subdivision; or any board, commission or agency thereof; other local public agency; or entities that are legislative bodies of a local agency pursuant to subdivisions (c) and (d) of Section 54952.
- (c) "Person" includes any natural person, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, firm, or association.
- (d) "Public agency" means any state or local agency.

 (e) "Public records" includes any writing containing information relating to the conduct of the public's business prepared, owned, used, or retained by any state or local agency regardless of physical form or characteristics. "Public records" in the custody of, or maintained by, the Governor's office means any writing prepared on or after January 6, 1975.

- (f) "Writing" means any handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostating, photographing, photocopying, transmitting by electronic mail or facsimile, and every other means of recording upon any tangible thing any form of communication or representation, including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols, or combinations thereof, and any record thereby created, regardless of the manner in which the record has been stored.
- (g) "Member of the public" means any person, except a member, agent, officer, or employee of a federal, state, or local agency acting within the scope of his or her membership, agency, office, or employment.
 - (Amended Sec. 1.5, Ch. 1073, Stats. 2002. Effective January 1, 2003.)
- **6252.5.** Notwithstanding the definition of "member of the public" in Section 6252, an elected member or officer of any state or local agency is entitled to access to public records of that agency on the same basis as any other person. Nothing in this section shall limit the ability of the elected members or officers to access public records permitted by law in the administration of their duties.

This section does not constitute a change in, but is declaratory of, existing law.

(Added Sec. 3, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

Public Records Open to Inspection

- **6253.** (a) Public records are open to inspection at all times during the office hours of the state or local agency and every person has a right to inspect any public record, except as hereafter provided. Any reasonably segregable portion of a record shall be available for inspection by any person requesting the record after deletion of the portions that are exempted by law.
- (b) Except with respect to public records exempt from disclosure by express provisions of law, each state or local agency, upon a request for a copy of records that reasonably describes an identifiable record or records, shall make the records promptly available to any person upon payment of fees covering direct costs of duplication, or a statutory fee if applicable. Upon request, an exact copy shall be provided unless impracticable to do so.
- (c) Each agency, upon a request for a copy of records, shall, within 10 days from receipt of the request, determine whether the request, in whole or in part, seeks copies of disclosable public records in the possession of the agency and shall promptly notify the person making the request of the determination and the reasons therefor. In unusual circumstances, the time limit prescribed in this section may be extended by written notice by the head of the agency or his or her designee to the person making the request, setting forth the reasons for the extension and the date on which a determination is expected to be dispatched. No notice shall specify a date that would result in an extension for more than 14 days. When the agency dispatches the determination, and if the agency determines that the request seeks disclosable public records, the agency shall state the estimated date and time when the records will be made available. As used in this section, "unusual circumstances" means the following, but only to the extent reasonably necessary to the proper processing of the particular request:
- (1) The need to search for and collect the requested records from field facilities or other establishments that are separate from the office processing the request.
- (2) The need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records that are demanded in a single request.
- (3) The need for consultation, which shall be conducted with all practicable speed, with another agency having substantial interest in the determination of the request or among two or more components of the agency having substantial subject matter interest therein.
- (4) The need to compile data, to write programming language or a computer program, or to construct a computer report to extract data.
- (d) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to permit an agency to delay or obstruct the inspection or copying of public records. The notification of denial of any request for records required by Section 6255 shall set forth the names and titles or positions of each person responsible for the denial.
- (e) Except as otherwise prohibited by law, a state or local agency may adopt requirements for itself that allow for faster, more efficient, or greater access to records than prescribed by the minimum standards set forth in this chapter.
 - (Amended Sec. 2, Ch. 355, Stats. 2001. Effective January 1, 2002.)
- **6253.1.** (a) When a member of the public requests to inspect a public record or obtain a copy of a public record, the public agency, in order to assist the member of the

public make a focused and effective request that reasonably describes an identifiable record or records, shall do all of the following, to the extent reasonable under the circumstances:

- (1) Assist the member of the public to identify records and information that are responsive to the request or to the purpose of the request, if stated.
- (2) Describe the information technology and physical location in which the records
- (3) Provide suggestions for overcoming any practical basis for denying access to the records or information sought.
- (b) The requirements of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) shall be deemed to have been satisfied if the public agency is unable to identify the requested information after making a reasonable effort to elicit additional clarifying information from the requester that will help identify the record or records.
- (c) The requirements of subdivision (a) are in addition to any action required of a public agency by Section 6253.
- (d) This section shall not apply to a request for public records if any of the following applies:
- (1) The public agency makes available the requested records pursuant to Section 6253.
- (2) The public agency determines that the request should be denied and bases that determination solely on an exemption listed in Section 6254.
 - (3) The public agency makes available an index of its records.
 - (Added Sec. 3, Ch. 355, Stats. 2001. Effective January 1, 2002.)

6253.4. (a) Every agency may adopt regulations stating the procedures to be followed when making its records available in accordance with this section.

The following state and local bodies shall establish written guidelines for accessibility of records. A copy of these guidelines shall be posted in a conspicuous public place at the offices of these bodies, and a copy of the guidelines shall be available upon request free of charge to any person requesting that body's records:

Department of Motor Vehicles

Department of Consumer Affairs

Department of Transportation

Department of Real Estate

Department of Corrections

Department of the Youth Authority

Department of Justice

Department of Insurance

Department of Corporations

Secretary of State

State Air Resources Board

Department of Water Resources

Department of Parks and Recreation

San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission

State Board of Equalization

State Department of Health Services

Employment Development Department

State Department of Social Services

State Department of Mental Health

State Department of Developmental Services

State Department of Alcohol and Drug Abuse

Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development

Public Employees' Retirement System

Teachers' Retirement Board

Department of Industrial Relations

Department of General Services

Department of Veterans Affairs

Public Utilities Commission

California Coastal Commission

State Water Resources Control Board

San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District

All regional water quality control boards

Los Angeles County Air Pollution Control District

Bay Area Air Pollution Control District

Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District

Department of Toxic Substances Control

Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment

(b) Guidelines and regulations adopted pursuant to this section shall be consistent with all other sections of this chapter and shall reflect the intention of the Legislature to make the records accessible to the public. The guidelines and regulations adopted pursuant to this section shall not operate to limit the hours public records are open for inspection as prescribed in Section 6253.

(Amended and Renumbered from 6253 Sec. 4, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

- **6253.9.** (a) Unless otherwise prohibited by law, any agency that has information that constitutes an identifiable public record not exempt from disclosure pursuant to this chapter that is in an electronic format shall make that information available in an electronic format when requested by any person and, when applicable, shall comply with the following:
- (1) The agency shall make the information available in any electronic format in which it holds the information.
- (2) Each agency shall provide a copy of an electronic record in the format requested if the requested format is one that has been used by the agency to create copies for its own use or for provision to other agencies. The cost of duplication shall be limited to the direct cost of producing a copy of a record in an electronic format.
- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), the requester shall bear the cost of producing a copy of the record, including the cost to construct a record, and the cost of programming and computer services necessary to produce a copy of the record when either of the following applies:
- (1) In order to comply with the provisions of subdivision (a), the public agency would be required to produce a copy of an electronic record and the record is one that is produced only at otherwise regularly scheduled intervals.

(2) The request would require data compilation, extraction, or programming to produce the record.

- (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the public agency to reconstruct a record in an electronic format if the agency no longer has the record available in an electronic format.
- (d) If the request is for information in other than electronic format, and the information also is in electronic format, the agency may inform the requester that the information is available in electronic format.
- (e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit an agency to make information available only in an electronic format.
- (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the public agency to release an electronic record in the electronic form in which it is held by the agency if its release would jeopardize or compromise the security or integrity of the original record or of any proprietary software in which it is maintained.
- (g) Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit public access to records held by any agency to which access is otherwise restricted by statute.

(Added Sec. 2, Ch. 982, Stats. 2000. Effective January 1, 2001.)

Exemption of Particular Records

- **6254.** Except as provided in Sections 6254.7 and 6254.13, nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require disclosure of records that are any of the following:
- (a) Preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency memoranda that are not retained by the public agency in the ordinary course of business, provided that the public interest in withholding those records clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure.
- (b) Records pertaining to pending litigation to which the public agency is a party, or to claims made pursuant to Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810), until the pending litigation or claim has been finally adjudicated or otherwise settled.
- (c) Personnel, medical, or similar files, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
 - (d) Contained in or related to any of the following:
- (1) Applications filed with any state agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of the issuance of securities or of financial institutions, including, but not limited to, banks, savings and loan associations, industrial loan companies, credit unions, and insurance companies.
- (2) Examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of, any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).

- (3) Preliminary drafts, notes, or interagency or intra-agency communications prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of, any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).
- (4) Information received in confidence by any state agency referred to in paragraph (1).
- (e) Geological and geophysical data, plant production data, and similar information relating to utility systems development, or market or crop reports, that are obtained in confidence from any person.
- (f) Records of complaints to, or investigations conducted by, or records of intelligence information or security procedures of, the office of the Attorney General and the Department of Justice, and any state or local police agency, or any investigatory or security files compiled by any other state or local police agency, or any investigatory or security files compiled by any other state or local agency for correctional, law enforcement, or licensing purposes, except that state and local law enforcement agencies shall disclose the names and addresses of persons involved in, or witnesses other than confidential informants to, the incident, the description of any property involved, the date, time, and location of the incident, all diagrams, statements of the parties involved in the incident, the statements of all witnesses, other than confidential informants, to the victims of an incident, or an authorized representative thereof, an insurance carrier against which a claim has been or might be made, and any person suffering bodily injury or property damage or loss, as the result of the incident caused by arson, burglary, fire, explosion, larceny, robbery, carjacking, vandalism, vehicle theft, or a crime as defined by subdivision (c) of Section 13960, unless the disclosure would endanger the safety of a witness or other person involved in the investigation, or unless disclosure would endanger the successful completion of the investigation or a related investigation. However, nothing in this division shall require the disclosure of that portion of those investigative files that reflect the analysis or conclusions of the investigating officer.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this subdivision, state and local law enforcement agencies shall make public the following information, except to the extent that disclosure of a particular item of information would endanger the safety of a person involved in an investigation or would endanger the successful completion of the investigation or a related investigation:

- (1) The full name and occupation of every individual arrested by the agency, the individual's physical description including date of birth, color of eyes and hair, sex, height and weight, the time and date of arrest, the time and date of booking, the location of the arrest, the factual circumstances surrounding the arrest, the amount of bail set, the time and manner of release or the location where the individual is currently being held, and all charges the individual is being held upon, including any outstanding warrants from other jurisdictions and parole or probation holds.
- (2) Subject to the restrictions imposed by Section 841.5 of the Penal Code, the time, substance, and location of all complaints or requests for assistance received by the agency and the time and nature of the response thereto, including, to the extent the information regarding crimes alleged or committed or any other incident investigated is recorded, the time, date, and location of occurrence, the time and date of the report, the name and age of the victim, the factual circumstances surrounding the crime or incident, and a general description of any injuries, property, or weapons involved. The name of a victim of any crime defined by Section 220, 261, 261.5, 262, 264, 264.1, 273a, 273d, 273.5, 286, 288, 288a, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, or 646.9 of the Penal Code may be withheld at the victim's request, or at the request of the victim's parent or guardian if the victim is a minor. When a person is the victim of more than one crime, information disclosing that the person is a victim of a crime defined by Section 220, 261, 261.5, 262, 264, 264.1, 273a, 273d, 286, 288, 288a, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, or 646.9 of the Penal Code may be deleted at the request of the victim, or the victim's parent or guardian if the victim is a minor, in making the report of the crime, or of any crime or incident accompanying the crime, available to the public in compliance with the requirements of this paragraph.
- (3) Subject to the restrictions of Section 841.5 of the Penal Code and this subdivision, the current address of every individual arrested by the agency and the current address of the victim of a crime, where the requester declares under penalty of perjury that the request is made for a scholarly, journalistic, political, or governmental purpose, or that the request is made for investigation purposes by a licensed private investigator as described in Chapter 11.3 (commencing with Section 7512) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, except that the address of

the victim of any crime defined by Section 220, 261, 261.5, 262, 264, 264.1, 273a, 273d, 273.5, 286, 288, 288a, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, or 646.9 of the Penal Code shall remain confidential. Address information obtained pursuant to this paragraph shall not be used directly or indirectly to sell a product or service to any individual or group of individuals, and the requester shall execute a declaration to that effect under penalty of perjury.

- (g) Test questions, scoring keys, and other examination data used to administer a licensing examination, examination for employment, or academic examination, except as provided for in Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 99150) of Part 65 of the Education Code.
- (h) The contents of real estate appraisals or engineering or feasibility estimates and evaluations made for or by the state or local agency relative to the acquisition of property, or to prospective public supply and construction contracts, until all of the property has been acquired or all of the contract agreement obtained. However, the law of eminent domain shall not be affected by this provision.
- (i) Information required from any taxpayer in connection with the collection of local taxes that is received in confidence and the disclosure of the information to other persons would result in unfair competitive disadvantage to the person supplying the information.
- (j) Library circulation records kept for the purpose of identifying the borrower of items available in libraries, and library and museum materials made or acquired and presented solely for reference or exhibition purposes. The exemption in this subdivision shall not apply to records of fines imposed on the borrowers.
- (k) Records, the disclosure of which is exempted or prohibited pursuant to federal or state law, including, but not limited to, provisions of the Evidence Code relating to privilege.
- (1) Correspondence of and to the Governor or employees of the Governor's office or in the custody of or maintained by the Governor's legal affairs secretary, provided that public records shall not be transferred to the custody of the Governor's Legal Affairs Secretary to evade the disclosure provisions of this chapter.
- (m) In the custody of or maintained by the Legislative Counsel, except those records in the public data base maintained by the Legislative Counsel that are described in Section 10248.
- (n) Statements of personal worth or personal financial data required by a licensing agency and filed by an applicant with the licensing agency to establish his or her personal qualification for the license, certificate, or permit applied for.
- (o) Financial data contained in applications for financing under Division 27 (commencing with Section 44500) of the Health and Safety Code, where an authorized officer of the California Pollution Control Financing Authority determines that disclosure of the financial data would be competitively injurious to the applicant and the data is required in order to obtain guarantees from the United States Small Business Administration. The California Pollution Control Financing Authority shall adopt rules for review of individual requests for confidentiality under this section and for making available to the public those portions of an application that are subject to disclosure under this chapter.
- (p) Records of state agencies related to activities governed by Chapter 10.3 (commencing with Section 3512), Chapter 10.5 (commencing with Section 3525), and Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 3560) of Division 4 of Title 1, that reveal a state agency's deliberative processes, impressions, evaluations, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work products, theories, or strategy, or that provide instruction, advice, or training to employees who do not have full collective bargaining and representation rights under these chapters. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to limit the disclosure duties of a state agency with respect to any other records relating to the activities governed by the employee relations acts referred to in this subdivision.
- (q) Records of state agencies related to activities governed by Article 2.6 (commencing with Section 14081), Article 2.8 (commencing with Section 14087.5), and Article 2.91 (commencing with Section 14089) of Chapter 7 of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, that reveal the special negotiator's deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with providers of health care services, impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy, or that provide instruction, advice, or training to employees.

Except for the portion of a contract containing the rates of payment, contracts for inpatient services entered into pursuant to these articles, on or after April 1, 1984,

shall be open to inspection one year after they are fully executed. In the event that a contract for inpatient services that is entered into prior to April 1, 1984, is amended on or after April 1, 1984, the amendment, except for any portion containing the rates of payment, shall be open to inspection one year after it is fully executed. If the California Medical Assistance Commission enters into contracts with health care providers for other than inpatient hospital services, those contracts shall be open to inspection one year after they are fully executed.

Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection under this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment

shall be open to inspection.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendment shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments until the time a contract or amendment is fully open to inspection by the public.

(r) Records of Native American graves, cemeteries, and sacred places maintained by

the Native American Heritage Commission.

- (s) A final accreditation report of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals that has been transmitted to the State Department of Health Services pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1282 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (t) Records of a local hospital district, formed pursuant to Division 23 (commencing with Section 32000) of the Health and Safety Code, or the records of a municipal hospital, formed pursuant to Article 7 (commencing with Section 37600) or Article 8 (commencing with Section 37650) of Chapter 5 of Division 3 of Title 4 of this code, that relate to any contract with an insurer or nonprofit hospital service plan for inpatient or outpatient services for alternative rates pursuant to Section 10133 or 11512 of the Insurance Code. However, the record shall be open to inspection within one year after the contract is fully executed.
- (u) (1) Information contained in applications for licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county or the chief or other head of a municipal police department that indicates when or where the applicant is vulnerable to attack or that concerns the applicant's medical or psychological history or that of members of his or her family.

(2) The home address and telephone number of peace officers, judges, court commissioners, and magistrates that are set forth in applications for licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county

or the chief or other head of a municipal police department.

(3) The home address and telephone number of peace officers, judges, court commissioners, and magistrates that are set forth in licenses to carry firearms issued pursuant to Section 12050 of the Penal Code by the sheriff of a county or the chief or other head of a municipal police department.

- (v) (1) Records of the Major Risk Medical Insurance Program related to activities governed by Part 6.3 (commencing with Section 12695) and Part 6.5 (commencing with Section 12700) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with health plans, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees.
- (2) (A) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts for health coverage entered into pursuant to Part 6.3 (commencing with Section 12695) or Part 6.5 (commencing with Section 12700) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, on or after July 1, 1991, shall be open to inspection one year after they have been fully executed.
- (B) In the event that a contract for health coverage that is entered into prior to July 1, 1991, is amended on or after July 1, 1991, the amendment, except for any portion containing the rates of payment, shall be open to inspection one year after the amendment has been fully executed.
- (3) Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection pursuant to this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto, until the contract or amendments to a contract is open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (3).

- (w) (1) Records of the Major Risk Medical Insurance Program related to activities governed by Chapter 14 (commencing with Section 10700) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with health plans, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees.
- (2) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts for health coverage entered into pursuant to Chapter 14 (commencing with Section 10700) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, on or after January 1, 1993, shall be open to inspection one year after they have been fully executed.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto, until the contract or amendments to a contract is open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (2).
- (x) Financial data contained in applications for registration, or registration renewal, as a service contractor filed with the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs pursuant to Chapter 20 (commencing with Section 9800) of Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code, for the purpose of establishing the service contractor's net worth, or financial data regarding the funded accounts held in escrow for service contracts held in force in this state by a service contractor.
- (y) (1) Records of the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board related to activities governed by Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, and that reveal the deliberative processes, discussions, communications, or any other portion of the negotiations with health plans, or the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board or its staff, or *records that provide* instructions, advice, or training to employees.
- (2) (A) Except for the portion of a contract that contains the rates of payment, contracts entered into pursuant to Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, on or after January 1, 1998, shall be open to inspection one year after they have been fully executed.
- (B) In the event that a contract entered into pursuant to Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code is amended, the amendment shall be open to inspection one year after the amendment has been fully executed.
- (3) Three years after a contract or amendment is open to inspection pursuant to this subdivision, the portion of the contract or amendment containing the rates of payment shall be open to inspection.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the entire contract or amendments to a contract shall be open to inspection by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. The committee shall maintain the confidentiality of the contracts and amendments thereto until the contract or amendments to a contract are open to inspection pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3).
- (z) Records obtained pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of Section 2891.1 of the Public Utilities Code.
- (aa) A document prepared by a local agency that assesses its vulnerability to terrorist attack or other criminal acts intended to disrupt the public agency's operations and that is for distribution or consideration in a closed session.

Nothing in this section prevents any agency from opening its records concerning the administration of the agency to public inspection, unless disclosure is otherwise prohibited by law.

Nothing in this section prevents any health facility from disclosing to a certified bargaining agent relevant financing information pursuant to Section 8 of the National Labor Relations Act.

(Amended Sec. 1, Ch. 175, Stats. 2002. Effective January 1, 2003.)

Disclosure of Residence Address

- **6254.1.** (a) Except as provided in Section 6254.7, nothing in this chapter requires disclosure of records that are the residence address of any person contained in the records of the Department of Housing and Community Development, if the person has requested confidentiality of that information, in accordance with Section 18081 of the Health and Safety Code.
 - (b) Nothing in this chapter requires the disclosure of the residence or mailing

address of any person in any record of the Department of Motor Vehicles except in accordance with Section 1808.21 of the Vehicle Code.

(c) Nothing in this chapter requires the disclosure of the results of a test undertaken pursuant to Section 12804.8 of the Vehicle Code.

(Added Ch. 546, Stats. 1993. Effective January 1, 1994.)

Disclosure of Exempt Record

6254.5. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, whenever a state or local agency discloses a public record which is otherwise exempt from this chapter, to any member of the public, this disclosure shall constitute a waiver of the exemptions specified in Sections 6254, 6254.7, or other similar provisions of law. For purposes of this section, "agency" includes a member, agent, officer, or employee of the agency acting within the scope of his or her membership, agency, office, or employment.

This section, however, shall not apply to disclosures:

(a) Made pursuant to the Information Practices Act (commencing with Section 1798 of the Civil Code) or discovery proceedings.

(b) Made through other legal proceedings or as otherwise required by law.

(c) Within the scope of disclosure of a statute which limits disclosure of specified writings to certain purposes.

(d) Not required by law, and prohibited by formal action of an elected legislative body of the local agency which retains the writings.

(e) Made to any governmental agency which agrees to treat the disclosed material as confidential. Only persons authorized in writing by the person in charge of the agency shall be permitted to obtain the information. Any information obtained by the agency shall only be used for purposes which are consistent with existing law.

(f) Of records relating to a financial institution or an affiliate thereof, if the disclosures are made to the financial institution or affiliate by a state agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of the financial institution or affiliate.

- (g) Of records relating to any person that is subject to the jurisdiction of the Department of Corporations, if the disclosures are made to the person that is the subject of the records for the purpose of corrective action by that person, or if a corporation, to an officer, director, or other key personnel of the corporation for the purpose of corrective action, or to any other person to the extent necessary to obtain information from that person for the purpose of an investigation by the Department of Corporations.
- (h) Made by the Commissioner of Financial Institutions under Section 1909, 8009, or 18396 of the Financial Code.

(Amended Sec. 780, Ch. 1064, Stats. 1996. Effective January 1, 1997.)

Disclosure of Specified Records

- **6254.7.** (a) All information, analyses, plans, or specifications that disclose the nature, extent, quantity, or degree of air contaminants or other pollution which any article, machine, equipment, or other contrivance will produce, which any air pollution control district or air quality management district, or any other state or local agency or district, requires any applicant to provide before the applicant builds, erects, alters, replaces, operates, sells, rents, or uses the article, machine, equipment, or other contrivance, are public records.
- (b) All air or other pollution monitoring data, including data compiled from stationary sources, are public records.
- (c) All records of notices and orders directed to the owner of any building of violations of housing or building codes, ordinances, statutes, or regulations which constitute violations of standards provided in Section 1941.1 of the Civil Code, and records of subsequent action with respect to those notices and orders, are public records.
- (d) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (e) and Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 99150) of Part 65 of the Education Code, trade secrets are not public records under this section. "Trade secrets," as used in this section, may include, but are not limited to, any formula, plan, pattern, process, tool, mechanism, compound, procedure, production data, or compilation of information which is not patented, which is known only to certain individuals within a commercial concern who are using it to fabricate, produce, or compound an article of trade or a service having commercial value and which gives its user an opportunity to obtain a business advantage over competitors who do not know or use it.
- (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all air pollution emission data, including those emission data which constitute trade secrets as defined in subdivision

- (d), are public records. Data used to calculate emission data are not emission data for the purposes of this subdivision and data which constitute trade secrets and which are used to calculate emission data are not public records.
- (f) Data used to calculate the costs of obtaining emissions offsets are not public records. At the time that an air pollution control district or air quality management district issues a permit to construct to an applicant who is required to obtain offsets pursuant to district rules and regulations, data obtained from the applicant consisting of the year the offset transaction occurred, the amount of offsets purchased, by pollutant, and the total cost, by pollutant, of the offsets purchased is a public record. If an application is denied, the data shall not be a public record.

(Amended Ch. 612, Stats. 1992. Effective January 1, 1993.)

Justification for Withholding Records

6255. (a) The agency shall justify withholding any record by demonstrating that the record in question is exempt under express provisions of this chapter or that on the facts of the particular case the public interest served by not disclosing the record clearly outweighs the public interest served by disclosure of the record.

(b) A response to a written request for inspection or copies of public records that includes a determination that the request is denied, in whole or in part, shall be in

writing.

(Amended Sec. 3, Ch. 982, Stats. 2000. Effective January 1, 2001.)

Proceedings to Enforce Public's Right

6258. Any person may institute proceedings for injunctive or declarative relief or writ of mandate in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce his or her right to inspect or to receive a copy of any public record or class of public records under this chapter. The times for responsive pleadings and for hearings in these proceedings shall be set by the judge of the court with the object of securing a decision as to these matters at the earliest possible time.

(Amended Ch. 908, Stats. 1990. Effective January 1, 1991.)

Order of Court

- **6259.** (a) Whenever it is made to appear by verified petition to the superior court of the county where the records or some part thereof are situated that certain public records are being improperly withheld from a member of the public, the court shall order the officer or person charged with withholding the records to disclose the public record or show cause why he or she should not do so. The court shall decide the case after examining the record in camera, if permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 915 of the Evidence Code, papers filed by the parties and any oral argument and additional evidence as the court may allow.
- (b) If the court finds that the public official's decision to refuse disclosure is not justified under Section 6254 or 6255, he or she shall order the public official to make the record public. If the judge determines that the public official was justified in refusing to make the record public, he or she shall return the item to the public official without disclosing its content with an order supporting the decision refusing disclosure.
- (c) In an action filed on or after January 1, 1991, an order of the court, either directing disclosure by a public official or supporting the decision of the public official refusing disclosure, is not a final judgment or order within the meaning of Section 904.1 of the Code of Civil Procedure from which an appeal may be taken, but shall be immediately reviewable by petition to the appellate court for the issuance of an extraordinary writ. Upon entry of any order pursuant to this section, a party shall, in order to obtain review of the order, file a petition within 20 days after service upon him or her of a written notice of entry of the order, or within such further time not exceeding an additional 20 days as the trial court may for good cause allow. If the notice is served by mail, the period within which to file the petition shall be increased by five days. A stay of an order or judgment shall not be granted unless the petitioning party demonstrates it will otherwise sustain irreparable damage and probable success on the merits. Any person who fails to obey the order of the court shall be cited to show cause why he or she is not in contempt of court.
- (d) The court shall award court costs and reasonable attorney fees to the plaintiff should the plaintiff prevail in litigation filed pursuant to this section. The costs and fees shall be paid by the public agency of which the public official is a member or employee and shall not become a personal liability of the public official. If the court finds that the plaintiff's case is clearly frivolous, it shall award court costs and

reasonable attorney fees to the public agency.

(Amended Ch. 926, Stats. 1993. Effective January 1, 1994.)

Status of Existing Judicial Records

6260. The provisions of this chapter shall not be deemed in any manner to affect the status of judicial records as it existed immediately prior to the effective date of this section, nor to affect the rights of litigants, including parties to administrative proceedings, under the laws of discovery of this state, nor to limit or impair any rights of discovery in a criminal case.

(Amended Ch. 314, Stats. 1976. Effective January 1, 1977.)

6261. Notwithstanding Section 6252, an itemized statement of the total expenditures and disbursement of any agency provided for in Article VI of the California Constitution shall be open for inspection.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

6262. The exemption of records of complaints to, or investigations conducted by, any state or local agency for licensing purposes under subdivision (f) of Section 6254 shall not apply when a request for inspection of such records is made by a district attorney.

(Added Ch. 601, Stats. 1979. Effective January 1, 1980.)

6263. A state or local agency shall allow an inspection or copying of any public record or class of public records not exempted by this chapter when requested by a district attorney.

(Added Ch. 601, Stats. 1979. Effective January 1, 1980.)

6264. The district attorney may petition a court of competent jurisdiction to require a state or local agency to allow him to inspect or receive a copy of any public record or class of public records not exempted by this chapter when the agency fails or refuses to allow inspection or copying within 10 working days of a request. The court may require a public agency to permit inspection or copying by the district attorney unless the public interest or good cause in withholding such records clearly outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

(Added Ch. 601, Stats. 1979. Effective January 1, 1980.)

6265. Disclosure of records to a district attorney under the provisions of this chapter shall effect no change in the status of the records under any other provision of law.

(Added Ch. 601, Stats. 1979. Effective January 1, 1980.)

Article 2. Other Exemptions from Disclosure

6275. It is the intent of the Legislature to assist members of the public and state and local agencies in identifying exemptions to the California Public Records Act. It is the intent of the Legislature that, after January 1, 1999, each addition or amendment to a statute that exempts any information contained in a public record from disclosure pursuant to subdivision (k) of Section 6254 shall be listed and described in this article. The statutes listed in this article may operate to exempt certain records, or portions thereof, from disclosure. The statutes listed and described may not be inclusive of all exemptions. The listing of a statute in this article does not itself create an exemption. Requesters of public records and public agencies are cautioned to review the applicable statute to determine the extent to which the statute, in light of the circumstances surrounding the request, exempts public records from disclosure.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276. Records or information not required to be disclosed pursuant to subdivision (k) of Section 6254 may include, but shall not be limited to, records or information identified in statutes listed in this article.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.02. Accident Reports, Admissibility as Evidence, Section 315, Public Utilities Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, blood test results, written authorization not necessary for disclosure, Section 121010, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, blood test subject, compelling identity of, Section 120975, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, confidentiality of personal data of patients in State Department of Health Services programs, Section 120820, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, confidentiality of research records,

Sections 121090, 121095, 121115, and 121120, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, confidentiality of vaccine volunteers, Section 121280, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, confidentiality of information obtained in prevention programs at correctional facilities and law enforcement agencies, Sections 7552 and 7554, Penal Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, confidentiality of test results of person convicted of prostitution, Section 1202.6, Penal Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, disclosure of results of HIV test, penalties, Section 120980, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, personal information, insurers tests, confidentiality of, Section 799, Insurance Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, public safety and testing disclosure, Sections 121065 and 121070, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Research and Confidentiality Act, production or discovery of records for use in criminal or civil proceedings against subject prohibited, Section 121100, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Public Health Records Confidentiality Act, personally identifying information confidentiality, Section 121025, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, test of criminal defendant pursuant to search warrant requested by victim, confidentiality of, Section 1524.1, Penal Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, test results, disclosure to patient's spouse and others, Section 121015, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, test of person under Youth Authority, disclosure of results, Section 1768.9, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Research and Confidentiality Act, definitions, Section 121125, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Research and Confidentiality Act, financial audits or program evaluations, Section 121085, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Research and Confidentiality Act, violations, Section 121100, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Research and Confidentiality Act, personally identifying research records not to be disclosed, Section 121075, Health and Safety Code.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Research and Confidentiality Act, permittee disclosure, Section 121080, Health and Safety Code.

Administrative procedure, adjudicatory hearings, disclosure of ex parte communication to administrative law judge, Section 11430.40, Government Code. Administrative procedure, adjudicatory hearings, interpreters, Section 11513,

Government Code.

Adoption records, confidentiality of, Section 102730, Health and Safety Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.04. Aeronautics Act, reports of investigations and hearings, Section 21693, Public Utilities Code.

Agricultural producers marketing, access to records, Section 59616, Food and Agricultural Code.

Aiding disabled voters, Section 14282, Elections Code.

Air pollution data, confidentiality of trade secrets, Section 6254.7, Government Code, and Sections 42303.2 and 43206, Health and Safety Code.

Air toxics emissions inventory plans, protection of trade secrets, Section 44346, Health and Safety Code.

Alcohol and drug abuse records and records of communicable diseases, confidentiality of, Section 123125, Health and Safety Code.

Apiary registration information, confidentiality of, Section 29041, Food and Agricultural Code.

Arrest not resulting in conviction, disclosure or use of records, Sections 432.7 and 432.8, Labor Code.

Arsonists, registered, confidentiality of certain information, Section 457.1, Penal Code.

Artificial insemination, donor not natural father, confidentiality of records, Section 7613, Family Code.

Assessor's records, confidentiality of information in, Section 408, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Assessor's records, confidentiality of information in, Section 451, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Assessor's records, display of documents relating to business affairs or property of another, Section 408.2, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Assigned risk plans, rejected applicants, confidentiality of information, Section 11624. Insurance Code.

Attorney applicant, investigation by State Bar, confidentiality of, Section 6060.2, Business and Professions Code.

Attorney-client confidential communication, Section 6068, Business and Professions Code and Sections 952, 954, 956, 956.5, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, and 962, Evidence Code.

Attorney, disciplinary proceedings, confidentiality prior to formal proceedings, Section 6086.1, Business and Professions Code.

Attorney, disciplinary proceeding, State Bar access to nonpublic court records, Section 6090.6, Business and Professions Code.

Attorney, investigation by State Bar, confidentiality of, Section 6168, Business and Professions Code.

Attorney, law corporation, investigation by State Bar, confidentiality of, Section 6168, Business and Professions Code.

Attorney, State Bar survey information, confidentiality of, Section 6033, Business and Professions Code.

Attorney work product confidentiality in administrative adjudication, Section 11507.6, Government Code.

Attorney, work product, confidentiality of, Section 6202, Business and Professions Code.

Attorney work product, discovery, Section 2018, Code of Civil Procedure.

Auditor General, access to records for audit purposes, Sections 10527 and 10527.1, Government Code.

Auditor General, disclosure of audit records, Section 10525, Government Code.

Automobile Insurance Claims Depository, confidentiality of information, Section 1876.3, Insurance Code.

 $Automobile\ insurance,\ investigation\ of\ fraudulent\ claims,\ confidential\ information,\ Section\ 1872.8,\ Insurance\ Code.$

Automotive repair facility, fact of certification or decertification, Section 9889.47, Business and Professions Code.

Automotive repair facility, notice of intent to seek certification, Section 9889.33, Business and Professions Code.

Avocado handler transaction records, confidentiality of, Sections 44982 and 44984, Food and Agricultural Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.06. Bank and Corporation Tax, disclosure of information, Article 2 (commencing with Section 19542), Chapter 7, Part 10.2, Division 2, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Bank employees, confidentiality of criminal history information, Sections 777.5 and 4990, Financial Code.

Bank reports, confidentiality of, Section 1939, Financial Code.

Basic Property Insurance Inspection and Placement Plan, confidential reports, Section 10097, Insurance Code.

Beef Council of California, confidentiality of fee transactions information, Section 64691.1, Food and Agricultural Code.

Bids, confidentiality of, Section 10304, Public Contract Code.

Birth, death, and marriage licenses, confidential information contained in, Sections 102100 and 102110, Health and Safety Code.

Birth defects, monitoring, confidentiality of information collected, Section 103850, Health and Safety Code.

Birth, live, confidential portion of certificate, Sections 102430, 102475, 103525, and 103590, Health and Safety Code.

Blood tests, confidentiality of hepatitis and AIDS carriers, Section 1603.1, Health and Safety Code.

Blood-alcohol percentage test results, vehicular offenses, confidentiality of, Section 1804. Vehicle Code.

Bureau of Fraudulent Claims, investigations or publication of information, Section 12991, Insurance Code.

Business and professions licensee exemption for social security number, Section 30, Business and Professions Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.08. Cable television subscriber information, confidentiality of, Section 637.5, Penal Code.

California AIDS Program, personal data, confidentiality, Section 120820, Health and Safety Code.

California Apple Commission, confidentiality of lists of persons, Section 75598, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Apple Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from

producers or handlers, Section 75633, Food and Agricultural Code. California Asparagus Commission, confidentiality of lists of producers, Section

78262, Food and Agricultural Code.
California Asparagus Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from

producers, Section 78288, Food and Agricultural Code.
California Avocado Commission, confidentiality of information from handlers,

Section 67094, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Avocado Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from handlers, Section 67104, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Cherry Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers, processors, shippers, or grower-handlers, Section 76144, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Cut Flower Commission, confidentiality of lists of producers, Section 77963, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Cut Flower Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers, Section 77988, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Date Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers and grower-handlers, Section 77843, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Egg Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from handlers or distributors, Section 75134, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Forest Products Commission, confidentiality of lists of persons, Section 77589, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Forest Products Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers, Section 77624, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Iceberg Lettuce Commission, confidentiality of information from handlers, Section 66624, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Kiwifruit Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers or handlers, Section 68104, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Navel Orange Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers or handlers and lists of producers and handlers, Section 73257, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Pepper Commission, confidentiality of lists of producers and handlers, Section 77298, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Pepper Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers or handlers, Section 77334, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Pistachio Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers or processors, Section 69045, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Salmon Commission, confidentiality of fee transactions records, Section 76901.5, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Salmon Commission, confidentiality of request for list of commercial salmon vessel operators, Section 76950, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Seafood Council, confidentiality of fee transaction records, Section 78553, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Seafood Council, confidentiality of information on volume of fish landed, Section 78575, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Sheep Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers or handlers and lists of producers, Section 76343, Food and Agricultural Code.

California State University contract law, bids, questionnaires and financial statements, Section 10763, Public Contract Code.

California Table Grape Commission, confidentiality of information from shippers, Section 65603, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Tomato Commission, confidentiality of lists of producers, handlers, and others, Section 78679, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Tomato Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information, Section 78704, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Walnut Commission, confidentiality of lists of producers, Section 77101, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Walnut Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers or handlers, Section 77154, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Wheat Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from handlers and lists of producers, Section 72104, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Wheat Commission, confidentiality of requests for assessment refund, Section 72109, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Wine Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers or vintners, Section 74655, Food and Agricultural Code.

California Wine Grape Commission, confidentiality of proprietary information from producers and vintners, Section 74955, Food and Agricultural Code. (Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

Cancer registries, confidentiality of information, Section 103885, Health and Safety Code.

Candidate for local nonpartisan elective office, confidentiality of ballot statement, Section 13311, Elections Code.

Charter-Party Carriers, unauthorized disclosures by commission, Section 5412.5, Public Utilities Code.

Child abuse information, exchange by multidisciplinary personnel teams, Section 830, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Child abuse information reported to Department of Justice, confidentiality of, Sections 11107.5 and 11169, Penal Code.

Child abuse report and those making report, confidentiality of, Sections 11167, 11167.5, and 11174.3, Penal Code.

Child care liability insurance, confidentiality of information, Section 1864, Insurance Code.

Child concealer, confidentiality of address, Section 277, Penal Code.

Child custody investigation report, confidentiality of, Section 3111, Family Code.

Child day care facility, nondisclosure of complaint, Section 1596.853, Health and Safety Code.

Child health and disability prevention, confidentiality of health screening and evaluation results, Section 124110, Health and Safety Code.

Child support, confidentiality of income tax return, Section 3552, Family Code.

Child support, promise to pay, confidentiality of, Section 7614, Family Code.

Childhood lead poisoning prevention, confidentiality of blood lead findings, Section 124130, Health and Safety Code.

Children and families commission, local, confidentiality of individually identifiable information, Section 130140.1, Health and Safety Code.

Cigarette tax, confidential information, Section 30455, Revenue and Taxation Code. Civil actions, delayed disclosure for 30 days after complaint filed, Section 482.050, Code of Civil Procedure.

Closed sessions, meetings of local governments, pending litigation, Section 54956.9, Government Code.

Closed sessions, multijurisdictional drug enforcement agencies, Section 54957.8, Government Code.

Colorado River Board, confidential information and records, Section 12519, Water

Commercial fishing licensee, confidentiality of records, Section 7923, Fish and Game

Commercial fishing reports, Section 8022, Fish and Game Code.

Community care facilities, confidentiality of client information, Section 1557.5, Health and Safety Code.

Community college employee, candidate examination records, confidentiality of, Section 88093, Education Code.

 $Community \ \ college \ \ employee, \ \ notice \ \ and \ \ reasons \ \ for \ \ nonreemployment, confidentiality, Section 87740, Education Code.$

(Amended Sec. 1, Ch. 214, Stats. 2001. Effective January 1, 2002.)

6276.12. Conservatee, confidentiality of the conservatee's report, Section 1826, Probate Code.

Conservatee, estate plan of, confidentiality of, Section 2586, Probate Code.

Conservatee with disability, confidentiality of report, Section 1827.5, Probate Code. Conservator, confidentiality of conservator's birthdate and driver's license number, Section 1834, Probate Code.

Conservator, supplemental information, confidentiality of, Section 1821, Probate Code.

Conservatorship, court review of, confidentiality of report, Section 1851, Probate Code.

Consumer credit report information prohibited from being furnished for employment purposes, Section 1785.18, Civil Code.

Consumer fraud investigations, access to complaints and investigations, Section 26509, Government Code.

Consumption or utilization of mineral materials, disclosure of, Section 2207.1, Public Resources Code.

Contractor, evaluations and contractor responses, confidentiality of, Section 10370, Public Contract Code.

Contractor, license applicants, evidence of financial solvency, confidentiality of, Section 7067.5, Business and Professions Code.

Controlled Substance Law violations, confidential information, Section 818.7, Government Code.

Controlled substance offenders, confidentiality of registration information, Section 11594, Health and Safety Code.

Cooperative Marketing Association, confidential information disclosed to conciliator, Sections 54453 and 54457, Food and Agricultural Code.

Coroner, inquests, subpoena duces tecum, Sections 27491.8 and 27498, Government Code.

Corporations, commissioner, publication of information filed with commissioner, Section 25605, Corporations Code.

County alcohol programs, confidential information and records, Section 11812, Health and Safety Code.

County Employees' Retirement, confidential statements and records, Section 31532, Government Code.

County mental health system, confidentiality of client information, Section 5610, Welfare and Institutions Code.

County social services, investigation of applicant, confidentiality, Section 18491,

Welfare and Institutions Code.

County social services rendered by volunteers, confidentiality of records of recipients, Section 10810, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Court files, access to, restricted for 60 days, Section 1161.2, Code of Civil Procedure. Court reporters, confidentiality of records and reporters, Section 68525, Government Code.

Court-appointed special advocates, confidentiality of information acquired or reviewed, Section 105, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Crane employers, previous business identities, confidentiality of, Section 7383, Labor Code.

Credit unions, confidentiality of investigation and examination reports, Section 14257, Financial Code.

Credit unions, confidentiality of employee criminal history information, Section 14409.2, Financial Code.

Credit unions, confidentiality of financial reports, Section 16120, Financial Code.

Criminal defendant, indigent, confidentiality of request for funds for investigators and experts, Section 987.9, Penal Code.

Criminal felon placed in diagnostic facility, confidentiality of report of diagnosis and recommendation, Sections 1203.3 and 1543, Penal Code.

Criminal offender record information, access to, Sections 11076, 11077, 11081, 13201, and 13202, Penal Code.

Criminal records information, disclosure by vendor, Section 11149.4, Penal Code.

Criminal statistics, confidentiality of information, Section 13013, Penal Code.

Crop reports, confidential, subdivision (e), Section 6254, Government Code.

Customer list of employment agency, trade secret, Section 16607, Business and Professions Code.

Customer list of telephone answering service, trade secret, Section 16606, Business and Professions Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.14. Dairy Council of California, confidentiality of ballots, Section 64155, Food and Agricultural Code.

Data processing systems contracts with state agencies, confidentiality of information, Section 11772, Government Code.

Death, report that physician's or podiatrist's negligence or incompetence may be cause, confidentiality of, Section 802.5, Business and Professions Code.

Dentist advertising and referral contract exemption, Section 650.2, Business and Professions Code.

Dentist, alcohol or dangerous drug rehabilitation and diversion, confidentiality of records, Section 1698, Business and Professions Code.

Department of Consumer Affairs licensee exemption for alcohol or dangerous drug treatment and rehabilitation records, Section 156.1, Business and Professions Code.

Developmentally disabled conservatee confidentiality of reports and records, Sections 416.8 and 416.18, Health and Safety Code.

Developmentally disabled or mentally disordered person as victim of crime, information in report filed with law enforcement agency, Section 5004.5, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Developmentally disabled person, access to information provided by family member, Section 4727, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Developmentally disabled person and person with mental illness, access to and release of information about, by protection and advocacy agency, Section 4903, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Developmentally disabled person, confidentiality of patient records, state agencies, Section 4553, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Developmentally disabled person, confidentiality of records and information, Sections 4514 and 4518, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Diesel Fuel Tax information, disclosure prohibited, Section 60609, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Disability compensation, confidential medical records, Section 2714, Unemployment Insurance Code.

Disability insurance, access to registered information, Section 789.7, Insurance Code.

Discrimination complaint to Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, confidentiality of witnesses, Section 98.7, Labor Code.

Dispute resolution participants confidentiality, Section 471.5, Business and Professions Code.

District Agricultural Association Board, records, public inspection, Section 3968, Food and Agricultural Code.

Domestic violence counselor and victim, confidentiality of communication, Sections 1037.2 and 1037.5, Evidence Code.

Driver arrested for traffic violation, notice of reexamination for evidence of incapacity, confidentiality of, Section 40313, Vehicle Code.

Driver's license file information, sale or inspection, Section 1810, Vehicle Code.

Driving school and driving instructor licensee records, confidentiality of, Section 11108, Vehicle Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.16. Educational psychologist-patient, privileged communication, Section 1010.5, Evidence Code.

Electronic and appliance repair dealer, service contractor, financial data in applications, subdivision (x), Section 6254, Government Code.

Electronic data processing, data security and confidentiality, Sections 11771 and 11772, Government Code.

Emergency Medical Services Fund, patient named, Section 1797.98c, Health and Safety Code.

Eminent domain proceedings, use of state tax returns, Section 1263.520, Code of Civil Procedure.

Employee personnel file, confidential preemployment information, Section 1198.5, Labor Code.

Employment agency, confidentiality of customer list, Section 16607, Business and Professions Code.

Employment application, nondisclosure of arrest record or certain convictions, Sections 432.7 and 432.8, Labor Code.

Employment Development Department, furnishing materials, Section 307, Unemployment Insurance Code.

Equal wage rate violation, confidentiality of complaint, Section 1197.5, Labor Code. Equalization, State Board of, prohibition against divulging information, Section 15619, Government Code.

Escrow Agents' Fidelity Corporation, confidentiality of examination and

investigation reports, Section 17336, Financial Code.

Escrow agents' confidentiality of reports on violations, Section 17414, Financial Code.

Escrow agents' confidentiality of state summary criminal history information, Section 17414.1, Financial Code.

Estate tax, confidential records and information, Sections 14251 and 14252, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Excessive rates or complaints, reports, Section 1857.9, Insurance Code.

Executive Department, closed sessions and the record of topics discussed, Sections 11126 and 11126.1, Government Code.

Executive Department, investigations and hearings, confidential nature of information acquired, Section 11183, Government Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

Family counselor and client, confidential information, Section 4982, Business and Professions Code.

Family Court, records, Section 1818, Family Law Code.

Farm product processor license, confidentiality of financial statements, Section 55523.6, Food and Agricultural Code.

Farm product processor licensee, confidentiality of grape purchases, Section 55601.5, Food and Agricultural Code.

Fee payer information, prohibition against disclosure by Board of Equalization and others, Section 55381, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Financial institutions, issuance of securities, reports and records of state agencies, subdivision (d), Section 6254, Government Code.

Financial records, confidentiality of, Sections 7470, 7471, and 7473, Government Code

Financial statements of insurers, confidentiality of information received, Section 925.3, Insurance Code.

Financial statements and questionnaires, of prospective bidders for the state, confidentiality of, Section 10165, Public Contract Code.

Financial statements and questionnaires, of prospective bidders for California State University contracts, confidentiality of, Section 10763, Public Contract Code.

Firearm license applications, subdivision (u), Section 6254, Government Code.

Firearm sale or transfer, confidentiality of records, Section 12082, Penal Code.

Firefighters Service Award, confidentiality of data filed with the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System, Section 50955, Government Code.

Fish and wildlife law enforcement agreements with other states, confidentiality of information, Section 391, Fish and Game Code.

Fish and wildlife taken illegally, public record status of records of case, Section 2584, Fish and Game Code.

Food stamps, disclosure of information, Section 18909, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Foreign marketing of agricultural products, confidentiality of financial information, Section 58577, Food and Agricultural Code.

Forest fires, anonymity of informants, Section 4417, Public Resources Code.

Foster homes, identifying information, Section 1536, Health and Safety Code.

Franchise Tax Board, access to Franchise Tax Board information by the State Department of Social Services, Section 11025, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Franchise Tax Board, auditing, confidentiality of, Section 90005, Government Code. Franchises, applications, and reports filed with Commissioner of Corporations, disclosure and withholding from public inspection, Section 31504, Corporations Code.

Fur dealer licensee, confidentiality of records, Section 4041, Fish and Game Code. (Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.22. Genetic test results in medical record of applicant or enrollee of specified insurance plans, Sections 10123.35 and 10140.1, Insurance Code.

Governor, correspondence of and to Governor and Governor's office, subdivision (l), Section 6254, Government Code.

Governor, transfer of public records in control of, restrictions on public access, Section 6268, Government Code.

Grand juror, disclosure of information or indictment, Section 924, Penal Code.

Grand jury, confidentiality of request for special counsel, Section 936.7, Penal Code. Grand jury, confidentiality of transcription of indictment or accusation, Section 938.1, Penal Code.

Group Insurance, Public Employees, Section 53202.25, Government Code.

Guardian, confidentiality of report used to check ability, Section 2342, Probate Code. Guardianship, confidentiality of report regarding the suitability of the proposed guardian, Section 1543, Probate Code.

Guardianship, disclosure of report and recommendation concerning proposed guardianship of person or estate, Section 1513, Probate Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.24. Harmful matter, distribution, confidentiality of certain recipients, Section 313.1, Penal Code.

Hazardous substance tax information, prohibition against disclosure, Section 43651, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Hazardous waste control, business plans, public inspection, Section 25506, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste control, notice of unlawful hazardous waste disposal, Section 25180.5, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste control, trade secrets, disclosure of information, Sections 25511 and 25538, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste control, trade secrets, procedures for release of information, Section 25358.2, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste generator report, protection of trade secrets, Sections 25244.21 and 25244.23, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste licenseholder disclosure statement, confidentiality of, Section 25186.5, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste management facilities on Indian lands, confidentiality of privileged or trade secret information, Section 25198.4, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste recycling, duties of department, Section 25170, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste recycling, list of specified hazardous wastes, trade secrets, Section 25175, Health and Safety Code.

Hazardous waste recycling, trade secrets, confidential nature, Sections 25173 and 25180.5, Health and Safety Code.

Healing arts licensees, central files, confidentiality, Section 800, Business and Professions Code.

Health Care Provider Central Files, confidentiality of, Section 800, Business and Professions Code.

Health care provider disciplinary proceeding, confidentiality of documents, Section 805.1, Business and Professions Code.

Health care service plans, review of quality of care, privileged communications, Sections 1370 and 1380, Health and Safety Code.

Health facilities, patient's rights of confidentiality, Sections 128735, 128755, and 128765, Health and Safety Code.

Health facility and clinic, consolidated data and reports, confidentiality of, Section 128730, Health and Safety Code.

Health personnel, data collection by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, confidentiality of information on individual licentiates, Sections 127775 and 127780, Health and Safety Code.

Health planning and development pilot projects, confidentiality of data collected, Section 128165, Health and Safety Code.

Hereditary Disorders Act, legislative finding and declaration, confidential information, Sections 124975 and 124980, Health and Safety Code.

Hereditary Disorders Act, rules, regulations, and standards, breach of confidentiality, Section 124980, Health and Safety Code.

Higher Education Employee-Employer Relations, findings of fact and recommended terms of settlement, Section 3593, Government Code.

Higher Education Employee-Employer Relations, access by Public Employment Relation Board to employer's or employee organizations records, Section 3563, Government Code.

HIV, disclosures to blood banks by department or county health officers, Section 1603.1, Health and Safety Code.

Home address of public employees and officers in Department of Motor Vehicles, records, confidentiality of, Sections 1808.2 and 1808.4, Vehicle Code.

Horse racing, horses, blood or urine test sample, confidentiality, Section 19577, Business and Professions Code.

Hospital district and municipal hospital records relating to contracts with insurers

and service plans, subdivision (t), Section 6254, Government Code.

Hospital final accreditation report, subdivision (s), Section 6254, Government Code. Housing authorities, confidentiality of rosters of tenants, Section 34283, Health and Safety Code.

Housing authorities, confidentiality of applications by prospective or current tenants, Section 34332, Health and Safety Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.26. Improper obtaining or distributing of information from Department of Motor Vehicles, Sections 1808.46 and 1808.47, Vehicle Code.

Improper governmental activities reporting, confidentiality of identity of person providing information, Section 8547.5, Government Code.

Improper governmental activities reporting, disclosure of information, Section 8547.6, Government Code.

Industrial accident reports, confidentiality of information, Section 129, Labor Code. Industrial loan companies, confidentiality of financial information, Section 18496, Financial Code.

Industrial loan companies, confidentiality of investigation and examination reports, Section 18394, Financial Code.

In forma pauperis litigant, rules governing confidentiality of financial information, Section 68511.3, Government Code.

Initiative, referendum, recall, and other petitions, confidentiality of names of signers, Section 6253.5, Government Code.

Inspector General, Youth and Adult Correctional Agency, confidentiality of records of employee interviews, Section 6127, Penal Code.

Insurance claims analysis, confidentiality of information, Section 1875.16, Insurance Code.

Insurance Commissioner, confidential information, Sections 735.5, 1077.3, and 12919, Insurance Code.

Insurance Commissioner, informal conciliation of complaints, confidential communications, Section 1858.02, Insurance Code.

Insurance Commissioner, information from examination or investigation, confidentiality of, Sections 1215.7, 1433, and 1759.3, Insurance Code.

Insurance Commissioner, report to Legislature, confidential information, Section 12961, Insurance Code.

Insurance Commissioner, writings filed with nondisclosure, Section 855, Insurance Code

Insurance fraud reporting, information acquired not part of public record, Section 1873.1, Insurance Code.

 $Insurance\ Holding\ Company\ System\ Regulatory\ Act,\ examinations,\ Section\ 1215.7,\ Insurance\ Code.$

Insurance licensee, confidential information, Section 1666.5, Insurance Code.

Insurer application information, confidentiality of, Section 925.3, Insurance Code. Insurer financial analysis ratios and examination synopses, confidentiality of, Section 933, Insurance Code.

Insurer, request for examination of, confidentiality of, Section 1067.11, Insurance Code.

Integrated Waste Management Board information, prohibition against disclosure, Section 45982, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Intervention in regulatory and ratemaking proceedings, audit of customer seeking and award, Section 1804, Public Utilities Code.

Investigative consumer reporting agency, limitations on furnishing an investigative consumer report, Section 1786.12, Civil Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.28. Joint Legislative Ethics Committee, confidentiality of reports and records, Section 8953, Government Code.

Judicial candidates, confidentiality of communications concerning, Section 12011.5, Government Code.

Jurors' lists, lists of registered voters and licensed drivers as source for, Section 197, Code of Civil Procedure.

Juvenile court proceedings to adjudge a person a dependent child of court, sealing records of, Section 389, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Juvenile criminal records, dissemination to schools, Section 828.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Juvenile delinquents, notification of chief of police or sheriff of escape of minor from

secure detention facility, Section 1155, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Labor dispute, investigation and mediation records, confidentiality of, Section 65, Labor Code.

Lanterman-Petris-Short Act, mental health services recipients, confidentiality of information and records, mental health advocate, Sections 5540, 5541, 5542, and 5550, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Law enforcement vehicles, registration disclosure, Section 5003, Vehicle Code.

Legislative Counsel records, subdivision (m), Section 6254, Government Code.

Library circulation records and other materials, subdivision (i), Section 6254 and Section 6267, Government Code.

Life and disability insurers, actuarial information, confidentiality of, Section 10489.15, Insurance Code.

Litigation, confidentiality of settlement information, Section 68513, Government Code.

Local agency legislative body, closed sessions, disclosure of materials, Section 54956.9, Government Code.

Local government employees, confidentiality of records and claims relating to group insurance, Section 53202.25, Government Code.

Local summary criminal history information, confidentiality of, Sections 13300 and 13305, Penal Code.

Local agency legislative body, closed session, nondisclosure of minute book, Section 54957.2, Government Code.

Local agency legislative body, meeting, disclosure of agenda, Section 54957.5, Government Code.

Long-term health facilities, confidentiality of complaints against, Section 1419, Health and Safety Code.

Long-term health facilities, confidentiality of records retained by State Department of Health Services, Section 1439, Health and Safety Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.30. Major Risk Medical Insurance Program, negotiations with health plans, subdivisions (v) and (w) of Section 6254, Government Code.

Mandated blood testing and confidentiality to protect public health, prohibition against compelling identification of test subjects, Section 120975, Health and Safety Code.

Mandated blood testing and confidentiality to protect public health, unauthorized disclosures of identification of test subjects, Section 120980, Health and Safety Code.

Mandated blood testing and confidentiality to protect public health, disclosure to patient's spouse, sexual partner, needle sharer, or county health officer, Section 121015, Health and Safety Code.

Manufactured home, mobilehome, floating home, confidentiality of home address of registered owner, Section 18081, Health and Safety Code.

Marital confidential communications, Sections 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, and 987, Evidence Code.

Market reports, confidential, subdivision (e), Section 6254, Government Code.

Marketing of commodities, confidentiality of financial information, Section 58781, Food and Agricultural Code.

Marketing orders, confidentiality of processors or distributors' information, Section 59202, Food and Agricultural Code.

Marriage, confidential, certificate, Section 511, Family Code.

Medi-Cal Benefits Program, confidentiality of information, Section 14100.2, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Medi-Cal Benefits Program, Evaluation Committee, confidentiality of information, Section 14132.6, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Medi-Cal Benefits Program, Request of Department for Records of Information, Section 14124.89, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Medi-Cal Fraud Bureau, confidentiality of complaints, Section 12528, Government Code.

Medical information, disclosure by provider unless prohibited by patient in writing, Section 56.16, Civil Code.

Medical information, types of information not subject to patient prohibition of disclosure, Section 56.30, Civil Code.

Medical and other hospital committees and peer review bodies, confidentiality of records, Section 1157, Evidence Code.

Medical or dental licensee, action for revocation or suspension due to illness, report,

confidentiality of, Section 828, Business and Professions Code.

Medical or dental licensee, disciplinary action, denial or termination of staff privileges, report, confidentiality of, Sections 805, 805.1, and 805.5, Business and Professions Code.

Meetings of state agencies, disclosure of agenda, Section 11125.1, Government Code. Mental institution patient, notification to peace officers of escape, Section 7325.5, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally abnormal sex offender committed to state hospital, confidentiality of records, Section 4135, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally disordered and developmentally disabled offenders, access to criminal histories of, Section 1620, Penal Code.

Mentally disordered persons, court-ordered evaluation, confidentiality of reports, Section 5202, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally disordered or mentally ill person, confidentiality of written consent to detainment, Section 5326.4, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally disordered or mentally ill person, voluntarily or involuntarily detained and receiving services, confidentiality of records and information, Sections 5328, 5328.01, 5328.02, 5328.05, 5328.1, 5328.15, 5328.2, 5328.3, 5328.4, 5328.5, 5328.7, 5328.8, 5328.9, and 5330, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Mentally disordered or mentally ill person, weapons restrictions, confidentiality of information about, Section 8103, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Milk marketing, confidentiality of records, Section 61443, Food and Agricultural Code

Milk product certification, confidentiality of, Section 62121, Food and Agricultural Code.

Milk, market milk, confidential records and reports, Section 62243, Food and Agricultural Code.

Milk product registration, confidentiality of information, Section 38946, Food and Agricultural Code.

Milk equalization pool plan, confidentiality of producers' voting, Section 62716, Food and Agricultural Code.

Mining report, confidentiality of report containing information relating to mineral production, reserves, or rate of depletion of mining operation, Section 2207, Public Resources Code.

Minor, criminal proceeding testimony closed to public, Section 859.1, Penal Code. Minority and women's business data possessed by state agencies, confidentiality of, Section 15339.30, Government Code.

Minors, material depicting sexual conduct, records of suppliers to be kept and made available to law enforcement, Section 1309.5, Labor Code.

Misdemeanor and felony reports by police chiefs and sheriffs to Department of Justice, confidentiality of, Sections 11107 and 11107.5, Penal Code.

Monetary instrument transaction records, confidentiality of, Section 14167, Penal Code.

Missing persons' information, disclosure of, Sections 14201 and 14203, Penal Code. Morbidity and mortality studies, confidentiality of records, Section 100330, Health and Safety Code.

Motor vehicle accident reports, disclosure, Sections 16005, 20012, and 20014, Vehicle Code.

Motor vehicles, department of, public records, exceptions, Sections 1808 to 1808.7, inclusive, Vehicle Code.

Motor vehicle insurance fraud reporting, confidentiality of information acquired, Section 1874.3, Insurance Code.

Motor vehicle liability insurer, data reported to Department of Insurance, confidentiality of, Section 11628, Insurance Code.

Multijurisdictional drug law enforcement agency, closed sessions to discuss criminal investigation, Section 54957.8, Government Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.32. Narcotic addict outpatient revocation proceeding, confidentiality of reports, Section 3152.5, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Narcotic and drug abuse patients, confidentiality of records, Section 11977, Health and Safety Code.

Native American graves, cemeteries and sacred places, records of, subdivision (r), Section 6254, Government Code.

Newspaper, radio, or television employee, nondisclosure of source of information,

Section 1070, Evidence Code.

Notary public, confidentiality of application for appointment and commission, Section 8201.5, Government Code.

Nurse, alcohol or dangerous drug diversion and rehabilitation records, confidentiality of, Section 2770.12, Business and Professions Code.

Obscene matter, defense of scientific or other purpose, confidentiality of recipients, Section 311.8, Penal Code.

Occupational safety and health investigations, confidentiality of complaints and complainants, Section 6309, Labor Code.

Occupational safety and health investigations, confidentiality of trade secrets, Section 6322, Labor Code.

Official information acquired in confidence by public employee, disclosure of, Sections 1040 and 1041, Evidence Code.

Oil and gas, confidentiality of proposals for the drilling of a well, Section 3724.4, Public Resources Code.

Oil and gas, disclosure of onshore and offshore exploratory well records, Section 3234, Public Resources Code.

Oil and gas, disclosure of well records, Section 3752, Public Resources Code.

Oil and gas leases, surveys for permits, confidentiality of information, Section 6826, Public Resources Code.

Oil spill feepayer information, prohibition against disclosure, Section 46751, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Older adults receiving county services, providing information between county agencies, confidentiality of, Section 9401, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Organic food certification organization records, release of, Section 110845, Health and Safety Code, and Section 46009, Food and Agricultural Code.

Osteopathic physician and surgeon, rehabilitation and diversion records, confidentiality of, Section 2369, Business and Professions Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

 $\bf 6276.34.$ Parole revocation proceedings, confidentiality of information in reports, Section 3063.5, Penal Code.

Passenger fishing boat licenses, records, Section 7923, Fish and Game Code.

Paternity, acknowledgement, confidentiality of records, Section 102760, Health and Safety Code.

Patient-physician confidential communication, Sections 992 and 994, Evidence Code.

Patient records, confidentiality of, Section 123135, Health and Safety Code.

Payment instrument licensee records, inspection of, Section 33206, Financial Code. Payroll records, confidentiality of, Section 1776, Labor Code.

Peace officer personnel records, confidentiality of, Sections 832.7 and 832.8, Penal Code.

Penitential communication between penitent and clergy, Sections 1032 and 1033, Evidence Code.

Personal Income Tax, disclosure of information, Article 2 (commencing with Section 19542), Chapter 7, Part 10.2, Division 2, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Personal information, information practices act, prohibitions against disclosure by state agencies, Sections 1798.24 and 1798.75, Civil Code.

Personal information, subpoena of records containing, Section 1985.4, Code of Civil

Personal representative, confidentiality of personal representative's birth date and

driver's license number, Section 8404, Probate Code.

Personnel Administration, Department of, confidentiality of pay data furnished to,

Section 19826.5, Government Code.

Petition signatures, Section 18650, Elections Code.

Petroleum supply and pricing, confidential information, Sections 25364 and 25366, Public Resources Code.

Pharmacist, alcohol or dangerous drug diversion and rehabilitation records, confidentiality of, Section 4436, Business and Professions Code.

Physical therapist or assistant, records of dangerous drug or alcohol diversion and rehabilitation, confidentiality of, Section 2667, Business and Professions Code.

Physical or mental condition or conviction of controlled substance offense, records in Department of Motor Vehicles, confidentiality of, Section 1808.5, Vehicle Code.

Physician and surgeon, rehabilitation and diversion records, confidentiality of, Section 2355, Business and Professions Code.

Physician assistant, alcohol or dangerous drug diversion and rehabilitation records, confidentiality of, Section 3534.7, Business and Professions Code.

Physician competency examination, confidentiality of reports, Section 2294, Business and Professions Code.

Physicians and surgeons, confidentiality of reports of patients with a lapse of consciousness disorder, Section 103900, Health and Safety Code.

Physician Services Account, confidentiality of patient names in claims, Section 16956, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Podiatrist, alcohol or drug diversion and rehabilitation records, confidentiality of, Section 2497.1, Business and Professions Code.

Pollution Control Financing Authority, financial data submitted to, subdivision (o), Section 6254, Government Code.

Postmortem or autopsy photos, Section 129, Code of Civil Procedure.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.36. Pregnancy tests by local public health agencies, confidentiality of, Section 123380, Health and Safety Code.

Pregnant women, confidentiality of blood tests, Section 125105, Health and Safety Code.

Prehospital emergency medical care, release of information, Sections 1797.188 and 1797.189, Health and Safety Code.

Prenatal syphilis tests, confidentiality of, Section 120705, Health and Safety Code. Presiding Officer, Section 11430.40, Government Code.

Prisoners, behavioral research on, confidential personal information, Section 3515, Penal Code

Prisoners, confidentiality of blood tests, Section 7530, Penal Code.

Prisoners, medical testing, confidentiality of records, Sections 7517 and 7540, Penal Code

Prisoners, transfer from county facility for mental treatment and evaluation, confidentiality of written reasons, Section 4011.6, Penal Code.

Private industry wage data collected by public entity, confidentiality of, Section 6254.6, Government Code.

Private railroad car tax, confidentiality of information, Section 11655, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Probate referee, disclosure of materials, Section 8908, Probate Code.

Probation officer reports, inspection of, Section 1203.05, Penal Code.

Produce dealer, confidentiality of financial statements, Section 56254, Food and Agricultural Code.

Products liability insurers, transmission of information, Sections 1857.7 and 1857.9, Insurance Code.

Professional corporations, financial statements, confidentiality of, Section 13406, Corporations Code.

Property on loan to museum, notice of intent to preserve an interest in, not subject to disclosure, Section 1899.5, Civil Code.

Property taxation, confidentiality of change of ownership, Section 481, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Property taxation, confidentiality of property information, Section 15641, Government Code and Section 833, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Proprietary information, availability only to the director and other persons authorized by the operator and the owner, Section 2778, Public Resources Code.

Psychologist and client, confidential relations and communications, Section 2918, Business and Professions Code.

Psychotherapist-patient confidential communication, Sections 1012 and 1014, Evidence Code.

Public employees' home addresses and telephone numbers, confidentiality of, Section 6254.3, Government Code.

Public Employees' Retirement System, confidentiality of data filed by member or

beneficiary with board of administration, Section 20134, Government Code.
Public school employees organization, confidentiality of proof of majority support

submitted to Public Employment Relations Board, Sections 3544, 3544.1, and 3544.5, Government Code.

Public social services, confidentiality of digest of decisions. Section 10964, Welfare

Public social services, confidentiality of digest of decisions, Section 10964, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Public social services, confidentiality of information regarding child abuse or elder or dependent persons abuse, Section 10850.1, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Public social services, confidentiality of information regarding eligibility, Section 10850.2, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Public social services, confidentiality of records, Section 10850, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Public social services, disclosure of information to law enforcement agencies, Section 10850.3, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Public social services, disclosure of information to law enforcement agencies regarding deceased applicant or recipient, Section 10850.7, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Public utilities, confidentiality of information, Section 583, Public Utilities Code.

Pupil, confidentiality of personal information, Section 45345, Education Code.

Pupil drug and alcohol use questionnaires, confidentiality of, Section 11605, Health and Safety Code.

Pupil, expulsion hearing, disclosure of testimony of witness and closed session of district board, Section 48918, Education Code.

Pupil, personal information disclosed to school counselor, confidentiality of, Section 49602, Education Code.

Pupil record contents, records of administrative hearing to change contents, confidentiality of, Section 49070, Education Code.

Pupil records, access authorized for specified parties, Section 49076, Education Code.

Pupil records, disclosure in hearing to dismiss or suspend school employee, Section 44944.1, Education Code.

Pupil records, release of directory information to private entities, Sections 49073 and 49073.5, Education Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.38. Radioactive materials, dissemination of information about transportation of, Section 33002, Vehicle Code.

Real estate broker, annual report to Department of Real Estate of financial information, confidentiality of, Section 10232.2, Business and Professions Code.

Real property, acquisition by state or local government, information relating to feasibility, subdivision (h), Section 6254, Government Code.

Real property, change in ownership statement, confidentiality of, Section 27280, Government Code.

Reciprocal agreements with adjoining states, Section 391, Fish and Game Code.

Records of contract purchasers, inspection by public prohibited, Section 85, Military and Veterans Code.

Registered public obligations, inspection of records of security interests in, Section 5060, Government Code.

Registration of exempt vehicles, nondisclosure of name of person involved in alleged violation, Section 5003, Vehicle Code.

Rehabilitation, Department of, confidential information, Section 19016, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Reinsurance intermediary-broker license information, confidentiality of, Section 1781.3, Insurance Code.

Rent control ordinance, confidentiality of information concerning accommodations sought to be withdrawn from, Section 7060.4, Government Code.

Report of probation officer, inspection, copies, Section 1203.05, Penal Code.

Repossession agency licensee application, confidentiality of information, Sections 7503, 7504, and 7506.5, Business and Professions Code.

Residence address in any record of Department of Housing and Community Development, confidentiality of, Section 6254.1, Government Code.

Residence address in any record of Department of Motor Vehicles, confidentiality of, Section 6254.1, Government Code, and Section 1808.21, Vehicle Code.

Residence and mailing addresses in records of Department of Motor Vehicles, confidentiality of, Section 1810.7, Vehicle Code.

Residential care facilities, confidentiality of resident information, Section 1568.08, Health and Safety Code.

Residential care facilities for the elderly, confidentiality of client information, Section 1569.315, Health and Safety Code.

Respiratory care practitioner, professional competency examination reports, confidentiality of, Section 3756, Business and Professions Code.

Restraint of trade, civil action by district attorney, confidential memorandum, Section 16750, Business and Professions Code.

Reward by governor for information leading to arrest and conviction, confidentiality of person supplying information, Section 1547, Penal Code. (Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.40. Sales and use tax, disclosure of information, Section 7056, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Savings association employees, disclosure of criminal history information, Sections 6525 and 8012, Financial Code.

Savings associations, inspection of records by shareholders, Section 6050, Financial

School district governing board, disciplinary action, disclosure of pupil information, Section 35146, Education Code.

School employee, merit system examination records, confidentiality of, Section 45274, Education Code.

School employee, notice and reasons for hearing on nonreemployment of employee, confidentiality of, Sections 44948.5 and 44949, Education Code.

School meals for needy pupils, confidentiality of records, Section 49558, Education

Sealed records, arrest for misdemeanor, Section 851.7, Penal Code.

Sealed records, misdemeanor convictions, Section 1203.45, Penal Code.

Sealing and destruction of arrest records, determination of innocence, Section 851.8, Penal Code.

Search warrants, special master, Section 1524, Penal Code.

Sex change, confidentiality of birth certificate, Section 103440, Health and Safety

Sex offenders, registration form, Section 290, Penal Code.

Sex offenders, specimen and other information, unauthorized disclosure, Section 290.2. Penal Code.

Sexual assault forms, confidentiality of, Section 13823.5, Penal Code.

Sexual assault victim counselor and victim, confidential communication, Sections 1035.2, 1035.4, and 1035.8, Evidence Code.

Shorthand reporter's complaint, Section 8010, Business and Professions Code.

Small business information compiled by state agencies, confidentiality of, Section 15331.2, Government Code.

Small family day care homes, identifying information, Section 1596.86, Health and Safety Code.

Social security number, applicant for driver's license or identification card, disclosure of, Section 1653.5, Vehicle Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.42. State agency activities relating to unrepresented employees, subdivision (p) of Section 6254, Government Code.

State agency activities relating to providers of health care, subdivision (a) of Section 6254, Government Code.

State Auditor, access to barred records, Section 8545.2, Government Code.

State Auditor, confidentiality of records, Sections 8545, 8545.1, and 8545.3, Government Code.

State civil service employee, confidentiality of appeal to state personnel board, Section 18952, Government Code.

State civil service employees, confidentiality of reports, Section 18573, Government Code.

State civil service examination, confidentiality of application and examination materials, Section 18934, Government Code.

State Contract Act, bids, questionnaires and financial statements, Section 10165, Public Contract Code.

State Contract Act, bids, sealing, opening and reading bids, Section 10304, Public Contract Code.

State Energy Resources Conservation and Development confidentiality of proprietary information submitted to, Sections 25223 and 25321, Public Resources Code.

State hospital patients, information and records in possession of Superintendent of Public Instruction, confidentiality of, Section 56863, Education Code.

State information security officer, implementation of confidentiality policies, Section 11771, Government Čode.

State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, access to government agency records, Section 9723, Welfare and Institutions Code.

State Long-Term Care Ombudsman office, confidentiality of records and files, Section 9725, Welfare and Institutions Code.

 $State\ Lottery\ Evaluation\ Report,\ disclosure,\ Section\ 8880.46,\ Government\ Code.$

State summary criminal history information, confidentiality of information, Sections 11105, 11105.1, 11105.3, and 11105.4, Penal Code.

Sterilization of disabled, confidentiality of evaluation report, Section 1955, Probate Code

Strawberry marketing information, confidentiality of, Section 63124, Food and Agricultural Code.

Structural pest control licensee records relating to pesticide use, confidentiality of, Section 15205, Food and Agricultural Code.

Student driver, records of physical or mental condition, confidentiality of, Section 12661, Vehicle Code.

Student, community college, information received by school counselor, confidentiality of, Section 72621, Education Code.

Student, community college, records, limitations on release, Section 76243, Education Code.

Student, community college, record contents, records of administrative hearing to change contents, confidentiality of, Section 76232, Education Code.

Student, sexual assault on private higher education institution campus, confidentiality of information, Section 94385, Education Code.

Student, sexual assault on public college or university, confidentiality of information, Section 67385, Education Code.

Student in public college or university, record of disciplinary action for sexual assault or physical abuse, access by alleged victim, Section 67134, Education Code.

Student, release of directory information by public college or university, Section 67140, Education Code.

Sturgeon egg processors, records, Section 10004, Fish and Game Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

 $\bf 6276.44. \ \ \, Taxpayer$ information, confidentiality, local taxes, subdivision (i), Section 6254, Government Code.

Tax preparer, disclosure of information obtained in business of preparing tax returns, Section 17530.5, Business and Professions Code.

Teacher, credential holder or applicant, information provided to Commission on Teacher Credentialing, confidentiality of, Section 44341, Education Code.

Teacher, certified school personnel examination results, confidentiality of, Section 44289, Education Code.

Teacher, information filed with Teachers' Retirement Board, confidentiality of, Section 22221, Education Code.

Telephone answering service customer list, trade secret, Section 16606, Business and Professions Code.

Timber yield tax, disclosure to county assessor, Section 38706, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Timber yield tax, disclosure of information, Section 38705, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Title insurers, confidentiality of notice of noncompliance, Section 12414.14, Insurance Code.

Tow truck driver, information in records of California Highway Patrol, Department of Motor Vehicles, or other agencies, confidentiality of, Sections 2431 and 2432.3, Vehicle Code.

Toxic substances, Department of, inspection of records of, Section 25152.5, Health and Safety Code.

Trade secrets, Section 1060, Evidence Code.

Trade secrets, confidentiality of, occupational safety and health inspections, Section 6322, Labor Code.

Trade secrets, disclosure of public records, Section 3426.7, Civil Code.

Trade secrets, food, drugs, cosmetics, nondisclosure, Sections 110165 and 110370, Health and Safety Code.

Trade secrets, protection by Director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation, Section 6254.2, Government Code.

Trade secrets and proprietary information relating to pesticides, confidentiality of, Sections 14022 and 14023, Food and Agricultural Code.

Trade secrets, protection by Director of Industrial Relations, Section 6396, Labor Code.

Trade secrets relating to hazardous substances, disclosure of, Sections 25358.2 and 25358.7, Health and Safety Code.

Traffic violator school licensee records, confidentiality of, Section 11212, Vehicle Code

Traffic offense, dismissed for participation in driving school or program, record of, confidentiality of, Section 1808.7, Vehicle Code.

Transit districts, questionnaire and financial statement information in bids, Section 99154, Public Utilities Code.

Trust companies, disclosure of private trust confidential information, Section 1582, Financial Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

6276.46. Unclaimed property, Controller records of, disclosure, Section 1582, Code of Civil Procedure.

Unemployment compensation, disclosure of confidential information, Section 2111, Unemployment Insurance Code.

Unemployment compensation, information obtained in administration of code, Section 1094, Unemployment Insurance Code.

Unemployment compensation, purposes for which use of information may be authorized, Section 1095, Unemployment Insurance Code.

Unemployment fund contributions, publication of annual tax rate, Section 989, Unemployment Insurance Code.

Unsafe working condition, confidentiality of complainant, Section 6309, Labor Code. Use fuel tax information, disclosure prohibited, Section 9255, Revenue and Taxation Code.

Utility systems development, confidential information, subdivision (e), Section 6254, Government Code.

Vehicle registration, financial responsibility verification study, confidentiality of information, Sections 4750.2 and 4750.4, Vehicle Code.

Vehicle accident reports, disclosure of, Sections 16005, 20012, and 20014, Vehicle Code and Section 27177, Streets and Highways Code.

Vehicular offense, record of, confidentiality five years after conviction, Section 1807.5, Vehicle Code.

Veterans Affairs, Department of, confidentiality of records of contract purchasers, Section 85, Military and Veterans Code.

Veterinarian or animal health technician, alcohol or dangerous drugs diversion and rehabilitation records, confidentiality of, Section 4871, Business and Professions Code. Victim, statements at sentencing, Section 1191.15, Penal Code.

Victims' Legal Resource Center, confidentiality of information and records retained, Section 13897.2, Penal Code.

Victims of crimes compensation program, confidentiality of records, subdivision (d), Section 13968, Government Code.

Voter, registration by confidential affidavit, Section 2194, Elections Code.

Voter registration card, confidentiality of information contained in, Section 6254.4, Government Code.

Voting, secrecy, Section 1050, Evidence Code.

Wards and dependent children, inspection of juvenile court documents, Section 827, Welfare and Institutions Code.

(Amended Sec. 2, Ch. 198, Stats. 2000. Effective January 1, 2001.)

 $\bf 6276.48.$ Wards and dependent children, release of description information about minor escapees, Section 828, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Wards, petition for sealing records, Section 781, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Welfare, statewide automated system work plan, confidentiality of data on individuals, Section 10818, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Wills, confidentiality of, Section 6389, Probate Code.

Winegrowers of California commission, confidentiality of producers' or vintners' proprietary information, Sections 74655 and 74955, Food and Agricultural Code.

Workers' Compensation Appeals Board, injury or illness report, confidentiality of, Section 6412, Labor Code.

Workers' compensation insurance, dividend payment to policyholder, confidentiality of information, Section 11739, Insurance Code.

Workers' compensation insurance fraud reporting, confidentiality of information, Sections 1877.3 and 1877.4, Insurance Code.

Workers' compensation insurer or rating organization, confidentiality of notice of noncompliance, Section 11754, Insurance Code.

Workers' compensation insurer, rating information, confidentiality of, Section 11752.7, Insurance Code.

Workers' compensation, notice to correct noncompliance, Section 11754, Insurance Code.

Workers' compensation, release of information to other governmental agencies, Section 11752.5, Insurance Code.

Workers' compensation, self-insured employers, confidentiality of financial information, Section 3742, Labor Code.

Workplace inspection photographs, confidentiality of, Section 6314, Labor Code.

Youth Authority, parole revocation proceedings, confidentiality of, Section 1767.6, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Youth Authority, release of information in possession of Youth Authority for offenses under Sections 676, 1764.1, and 1764.2, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Youth Authority, records, policies, and procedures, Section 1905, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Youth Authority, records, disclosure, Section 1764, Welfare and Institutions Code. Youth Authority parolee, disclosure of personal information in revocation proceedings, Section 1767.6, Welfare and Institutions Code.

Youth service bureau, confidentiality of client records, Section 1905, Welfare and Institutions Code.

(Added Sec. 11, Ch. 620, Stats. 1998. Effective January 1, 1999.)

- **6518.** (a) A joint powers agency, without being subject to any limitations of any party to the joint powers agreement pursuant to Section 6509, may also finance or refinance the acquisition or transfer of transit equipment or transfer federal income tax benefits with respect to any transit equipment by executing agreements, leases, purchase agreements, and equipment trust certificates in the forms customarily used by a private corporation engaged in the transit business to effect purchases of transit equipment, and dispose of the equipment trust certificates by negotiation or public sale upon terms and conditions authorized by the parties to the agreement. Payment for transit equipment, or rentals therefor, may be made in installments, and the deferred installments may be evidenced by equipment trust certificates payable from any source or sources of funds specified in the equipment trust certificates that are authorized by the parties to the agreement. Title to the transit equipment shall not vest in the joint powers agency until the equipment trust certificates are paid.
- (b) An agency that finances or refinances transit equipment or transfers federal income tax benefits with respect to transit equipment under subdivision (a) may provide in the agreement to purchase or lease transit equipment any of the following:
- (1) A direction that the vendor or lessor shall sell and assign or lease the transit equipment to a bank or trust company, duly authorized to transact business in the state as trustee, for the benefit and security of the equipment trust certificates.
- (2) A direction that the trustee shall deliver the transit equipment to one or more designated officers of the entity.
- (3) An authorization for the joint powers agency to execute and deliver simultaneously therewith an installment purchase agreement or a lease of equipment to the joint powers agency.
- (c) An agency that finances or refinances transit equipment or transfers federal income tax benefits with respect to transit equipment under subdivision (a) shall do all of the following:
- (1) Have each agreement or lease duly acknowledged before a person authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds and be acknowledged in the form required for acknowledgment of deeds.
- (2) Have each agreement, lease, or equipment trust certificate authorized by resolution of the joint powers agency.
- (3) Include in each agreement, lease, or equipment trust certificate any covenants, conditions, or provisions that may be deemed necessary or appropriate to ensure the payment of the equipment trust certificate from legally available sources of funds, as specified in the equipment trust certificates.
- (4) Provide that the covenants, conditions, and provisions of an agreement, lease, or equipment trust certificate do not conflict with any of the provisions of any trust agreement securing the payment of any bond, note, or certificate of the joint powers agency.
- (5) File an executed copy of each agreement, lease, or equipment trust certificate in the office of the Secretary of State, and pay the fee, as set forth in paragraph (3) of

subdivision (a) of Section 12195 of the Government Code, for each copy filed.

- (d) The Secretary of State may charge a fee for the filing of an agreement, lease, or equipment trust certificate under this section. The agreement, lease, or equipment trust certificate shall be accepted for filing only if it expressly states thereon in an appropriate manner that it is filed under this section. The filing constitutes notice of the agreement, lease, or equipment trust certificate to any subsequent judgment creditor or any subsequent purchaser.
- (e) Each vehicle purchased or leased under this section shall have the name of the owner or lessor plainly marked on both sides thereof followed by the appropriate words "Owner and Lessor" or "Owner and Vendor," as the case may be. (Amended Sec. 42, Ch. 1000, Stats. 1999. Effective January 1, 2000.)

- **7473.** (a) A customer may authorize disclosure under paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 7470 if those seeking disclosure furnish to the financial institution a signed and dated statement by which the customer:
- (1) Authorizes such disclosure for a period to be set forth in the authorization statement;
- (2) Specifies the name of the agency or department to which disclosure is authorized and, if applicable, the statutory purpose for which the information is to be obtained;
 - (3) Identifies the financial records which are authorized to be disclosed.
- (b) No such authorization shall be required by a financial institution as a condition of doing business with such financial institution.
- (c) Any officer, employee or agent of a state or local agency seeking customer authorization for disclosure of customer financial records shall include in the form which the customer signs granting authorization written notification that the customer has the right at any time to revoke such authorization, except where such authorization is required by statute.
- (d) An agency or department examining the financial records of a customer pursuant to this section shall notify the customer in writing within 30 days of such examination and inform the customer that he has the right to make a written request as to the reason for such examination. Such notice shall specify the financial records which were examined and, if requested, the reason for such examination.

(Added Ch. 1320, Stats. 1976. Effective January 1, 1977.)

Legislative Open Records Act

9070. The Legislature finds and declares that access to information concerning the conduct of the people's business by the Legislature is a fundamental and necessary right of every citizen in this state.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

9071. This article shall be known and may be cited as the Legislative Open Records Act.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

9072. As used in this article:

- (a) "Person" includes any natural person, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, firm, or association.
- (b) "Legislature" includes any Member of the Legislature, any legislative officer, any standing, joint, or select committee or subcommittee of the Senate and Assembly, and any other agency or employee of the Legislature.
- (c) "Legislative records" means any writing prepared on or after December 2, 1974, which contains information relating to the conduct of the public's business prepared, owned, used, or retained by the Legislature.
- (d) "Writing" means handwriting, typewriting, printing, photostating, photographing, and every other means of recording upon any form of communication or representation, including letters, words, pictures, sounds, or symbols, or combination thereof, and all papers, maps, magnetic or paper tapes, photographic films and prints, magnetic or punched cards, discs, drums, and other documents.

(Amended Ch. 1010, Stats. 1994. Effective January 1, 1995.)

9073. Legislative records are open to inspection at all times during the normal office hours of the Legislature and any person has a right to inspect any legislative record, except as hereafter provided. Any person shall be furnished reasonable opportunities for inspection of legislative records and reasonable facilities for making memoranda or abstracts therefrom. Any person may receive a copy of a legislative record if such record is of a nature permitting such copying. The Legislature may establish fees reasonably calculated to reimburse it for its actual cost in making such

copies available, provided such fee shall not exceed ten cents (\$0.10) per page. (Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

9074. All requests to inspect any legislative record shall be made to the appropriate Rules Committee of each house of the Legislature or the Joint Rules Committee, except that all requests to inspect any legislative record in the possession of the Auditor General shall be made to the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. Such committees shall be considered to have custody of all legislative records and shall be responsible for making all legislative records available for inspection. Such committees shall promptly inform any person whether any legislative record shall be made available for inspection. Such legislative records shall be made available for inspection promptly and without unnecessary delay. Whenever such committee withholds any legislative record from inspection, within four working days of the request to inspect such record, the committee shall justify in writing the withholding of such record by demonstrating that the record in question is exempt under the express provisions of this article or that on the facts of the particular case the public interest served by not making the record public clearly outweighs the public interest served by disclosure of the record, provided that when the Legislature is not in session, such committee shall furnish such written justification within 10 working days of the request to inspect such record. The Rules Committee of each house, the Joint Rules Committee, and the Joint Legislative Audit Committee shall adopt written guidelines stating the procedures to be followed when making legislative records available for inspection.

The amendment of this section made at the 1981 82 Regular Session of the Legislature does not constitute a change in, but is declaratory of, the existing law. (Amended Ch. 1168, Stats. 1981. Effective January 1, 1982.)

- **9075.** Nothing in this article shall be construed to invalidate or affect the operation of Sections 10207, 10208, 10525, and 10526 of this code, or Temporary Joint Rule 37 of the Senate and Assembly in effect on the effective date of this article, or to require the disclosure of records that are any of the following:
- (a) Preliminary drafts, notes, or legislative memoranda, except as provided in Section 9080.
- (b) Records pertaining to pending litigation to which the Legislature is a party, or to claims made pursuant to Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810) of Title 1, until the litigation or claim has been finally adjudicated or otherwise settled.
- (c) Personnel, medical, or similar files, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, provided that the Senate Committee on Rules, the Assembly Committee on Rules, or the Joint Rules Committee shall determine whether disclosure of these records constitutes an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.
- (d) Records pertaining to the names and phone numbers of senders and recipients of telephone and telegraph communications, provided that records of the total charges for any such communication shall be open for inspection.
- (e) Records pertaining to the name and location of recipients of automotive fuel or lubricants expenditures, provided that records of the total charges for those expenditures shall be open for inspection.
- (f) In the custody of or maintained by the Legislative Counsel, except those records in the public data base maintained by the Legislative Counsel that are described in Section 10248. Legislative records shall not be transferred to the custody of the Legislative Counsel to evade the disclosure provisions of this chapter.
- (g) In the custody of or maintained by the majority and minority caucuses and majority and minority consultants of each house of the Legislature, provided that legislative records shall not be transferred to the custody of the majority and minority caucuses and majority and minority consultants of each house of the Legislature to evade the disclosure provisions of this chapter.
- (h) Correspondence of and to individual Members of the Legislature and their staff, except as provided in Section 9080.
- (i) Records the disclosure of which is exempted or prohibited pursuant to provisions of federal or state law, including, but not limited to, provisions of the Evidence Code relating to privilege.
- (j) Communications from private citizens to the Legislature, except as provided in Section 9080.
- $(k)\,$ Records of complaints to or investigations conducted by, or records of security procedures of, the Legislature.

(Amended Sec. 1, Ch. 928, Stats. 1996. Effective January 1, 1997.)

9076. Any person may institute proceedings for injunctive or declarative relief in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce his right to inspect any legislative record or class of legislative records under this article. The times for responsive pleadings and for hearings in such proceedings shall be set by the judge of the court with the object of securing a decision as to such matters at the earliest possible time.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

9077. Whenever it is made to appear by verified petition to the superior court of the county where the records or some part thereof are situated that certain legislative records are being improperly withheld from a member of the public, the court shall order the committee charged with withholding the records to disclose the legislative record or show cause why the committee should not do so. The court shall decide the case after examining the record in camera, if permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 915 of the Evidence Code, papers filed by the parties and such oral argument and additional evidence as the court may allow.

If the court finds that the committee's decision to refuse disclosure is not justified under the provisions of Section 9074 or 9075, he shall order the committee to make the record available for inspection. If the judge determines that the committee was justified in refusing to make the record available for inspection, he shall return the item to the committee without disclosing its content with an order supporting the decision refusing disclosure. Any person who fails to obey the order of the court shall be cited to show cause why he is not in contempt of court.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

The court shall award court costs and reasonable attorney fees to the plaintiff should the plaintiff prevail in litigation filed pursuant to Section 9077. (Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

9079. If the court finds that the plaintiff's case is clearly frivolous, it shall award court costs and reasonable attorney fees to the public agency.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

- 9131. For the period ending on November 30 of each year, the Assembly Rules Committee, Senate Committee on Rules, and the Joint Rules Committee shall annually issue a report to the public on the expenditures made from the contingent fund subject to their direction and control. Such report shall include, but not be limited to, a listing of total expenditures for each Member and committee of the Legislature in the following categories:
- (a) Out-of-state travel and living expense reimbursement and in-state travel and living expense reimbursement.
 - (b) Automotive expenses.
 - (c) Rent.
 - (d) Telephone.
 - (e) Postage.
 - (f) Printing.

 - (g) Office supplies.(h) Newsletters.
 - (i) Per diem for attendance at legislative sessions.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

9132. The Assembly and Senate, and the Joint Rules Committee, shall annually provide to the Director of Finance an itemized statement of proposed expenditures from the Assembly Contingent Fund, the Senate Contingent Fund, and the Contingent Funds of the Assembly and Senate for inclusion in the Governor's Budget for the ensuing fiscal year.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

- 11019.9. Each state department and state agency shall enact and maintain a permanent privacy policy, in adherence with the Information Practices Act of 1977 (Title 1.8 (commencing with Section 1798) of Part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code), that includes, but is not limited to, the following principles:
 - (a) Personally indentifiable information is only obtained through lawful means.
- (b) The purposes for which personally identifiable data are collected are specified at or prior to the time of collection, and any subsequent use is limited to the fulfillment
- of purposes not inconsistent with those purposes previously specified.

 (c) Personal data shall not be disclosed, made available, or otherwise used for purposes other than those specified, except with the consent of the subject of the data, or as authorized by law or regulation.
 - (d) Personal data collected must be relevant to the purpose for which it is collected.

(e) The general means by which personal data is protected against loss, unauthorized access, use modification or disclosure shall be posted, unless such disclosure of general means would compromise legitimate state department or state agency objectives or law enforcement purposes.

(f) Each state department or state agency shall designate a position within the department or agency, the duties of which shall include, but not be limited to,

responsibility for the privacy policy within that department or agency.

(Added Sec. 2, Ch. 984, Stats. 2000. Effective January 1, 2001.)

11180.5. At the request of a prosecuting attorney or the Attorney General, any state agency, bureau, or department may assist in conducting an investigation of any unlawful activity which involves matters within or reasonably related to the jurisdiction of such agency, bureau, or department. Such an investigation may be made in cooperation with the prosecuting attorney or the Attorney General.

(Added Ch. 891, Stats. 1977. Effective January 1, 1978.)

11380.3. A regulation delivered to the department pursuant to Section 11380 shall contain a reference to the authority under which the regulation is being adopted and a reference to the particular code sections or other provisions of law which are being implemented, interpreted, or made specific. Such references shall be printed with the regulation in the California Administrative Code.

(Added Ch. 710, Stats. 1978. Effective January 1, 1979.)

Administrative Hearing Procedure

11504. A hearing to determine whether a right, authority, license, or privilege should be granted, issued, or renewed shall be initiated by filing a statement of issues. The statement of issues shall be a written statement specifying the statutes and rules with which the respondent must show compliance by producing proof at the hearing and, in addition, any particular matters that have come to the attention of the initiating party and that would authorize a denial of the agency action sought. The statement of issues shall be verified unless made by a public officer acting in his or her official capacity or by an employee of the agency before which the proceeding is to be held. The verification may be on information and belief. The statement of issues shall be served in the same manner as an accusation, except that, if the hearing is held at the request of the respondent, Sections 11505 and 11506 shall not apply and the statement of issues together with the notice of hearing shall be delivered or mailed to the parties as provided in Section 11509. Unless a statement to respondent is served pursuant to Section 11505, a copy of Sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7, and the name and address of the person to whom requests permitted by Section 11505 may be made, shall be served with the statement of issues.

(Amended Sec. 50, Ch. 17, Stats. 1997. Effective January 1, 1998.)

12022. The Governor shall annually provide to the Director of Finance an itemized statement of proposed expenditures, including special contingent expenses for support of the Governor, the Governor's office, and the Governor's residences for inclusion in the Governor's Budget for the ensuing fiscal year.

(Added Ch. 1246, Stats. 1975. Effective January 1, 1976.)

- **12023.** The Governor shall annually issue a report to the public on the expenditures for support of his or her office on December 31. The report shall include, but not be limited to, a listing of total expenditures for the Governor in the following categories:
 - (a) Travel and living expense reinbursement.
 - (b) Automotive and charter or lease airplane expenses.
 - (c) Rent.
 - (d) Telephone.(e) Postage.

 - (f) Printing.
 - (g) Office supplies.

(Amended Ch. 714, Stats. 1981. Effective January 1, 1982.)

Offset of Fine, Bail, Parking Penalty, or Reimbursement

12419.10. The Controller shall, to the extent feasible, offset any amount overdue and unpaid for a fine, penalty, assessment, bail, vehicle parking penalty, or courtordered reimbursement for court-related services, from a person or entity, against any amount owing the person or entity by a state agency on a claim for a refund from the Franchise Tax Board under the Personal Income Tax Law or the Bank and Corporation Tax Law or from winnings in the California State Lottery. Standards and procedures for submission of requests for offsets shall be as prescribed by the

Controller. Whenever insufficient funds are available to satisfy an offset request, the Controller, after first applying the amounts available to any amount due a state agency, may allocate the balance among any other requests for offset.

The Controller shall deduct and retain from any amount offset in favor of a city or county an amount sufficient to reimburse the Controller, the Franchise Tax Board, the California State Lottery, and the Department of Motor Vehicles for their

administrative costs of processing the offset payment.

Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1, or any other provision of law, the social security number of any person obtained pursuant to Section 4150, 4150.2, or 12800 of the Vehicle Code is not a public record and shall only be provided by the Department of Motor Vehicles to an authorized agency for the sole purpose of making an offset pursuant to this section for any unpaid vehicle parking penalty or any unpaid fine, penalty, assessment, or bail of which the Department of Motor Vehicles has been notified pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 40509 of the Vehicle Code or Section 1803 of the Vehicle Code, responding to information requests from the Franchise Tax Board for the purpose of tax administration, and responding to requests for information from an agency, operating pursuant to and carrying out the provisions of, Part A (Aid to Families with Dependent Children), or Part D (Child Support and Establishment of Paternity) of Subchapter IV of Chapter 7 of Title 42 of the United States Code. As used in this section, "authorized agency" means the Controller, the Franchise Tax Board, or the California Lottery Commission.

(Amended Sec. 1, Ch. 635, Stats. 1992. Effective September 12, 1992.)

Business, Transportation and Housing Agency

13975. The Business and Transportation Agency in state government is hereby renamed the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency. The agency consists of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, the Department of the California Highway Patrol, the Department of Corporations, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Department of Real Estate, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Financial Institutions, the Stephen P. Teale Consolidated Data Center; and the California Housing Finance Agency is also located within the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, as specified in Division 31 (commencing with Section 50000) of the Health and Safety Code.

(Amended Sec. 787, Ch. 1064, Stats. 1996. Effective January 1, 1997.)

13976. The agency is under the supervision of an executive officer known as the Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency. He shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate, and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Governor.

The annual salary of the secretary is provided for by Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 11550) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of this code.

As used in this part, "agency" and "secretary" refer to the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency and the Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, respectively, unless the context otherwise requires.

(Amended Ch. 1153, Stats. 1980. Effective September 29, 1980.)

13977. Before entering upon the duties of his office the secretary shall execute an official bond to the State in the penal sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties. (Amended Ch. 138, Stats. 1969. Effective November 10, 1969.)

The secretary has the power of general supervision over, and is directly responsible to the Governor for, the operations of each department, office, and unit within the agency. The secretary may issue such orders as the secretary deems appropriate to exercise any power or jurisdiction, or to assume or discharge any responsibility, or to carry out or effect any of the purposes vested by law in any department in the agency.

(Amended Ch. 1153, Stats. 1980. Effective September 29, 1980.)

13978.2. The Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency shall advise the Governor on, and assist the Governor in establishing, major policy and program matters affecting each department, office, or other unit within the agency, and shall serve as the principal communication link for the effective transmission of policy problems and decisions between the Governor and each such department, office,

(Amended Ch. 1153, Stats. 1980. Effective September 29, 1980.)

13978.4. The Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency shall exercise the authority vested in the Governor in respect to the functions of each department, office, or other unit within the agency, including the adjudication of conflicts between or among the departments, offices, or other units; and shall represent the Governor in coordinating the activities of each such department, office, or other unit with those of other agencies, federal, state, or local.

(Amended Ch. 1153, Stats. 1980. Effective September 29, 1980.)

13978.6. (a) The Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency shall be generally responsible for the sound fiscal management of each department, office, or other unit within the agency. The secretary shall review and approve the proposed budget of each such department, office, or other unit. The secretary shall hold the head of each such department, office, or other unit responsible for management control over the administrative, fiscal, and program performance of his or her department, office, or other unit. The secretary shall review the operations and evaluate the performance at appropriate intervals of each such department, office, or other unit, and shall seek continually to improve the organization structure, the operating policies, and the management information systems of each such department, office, or other unit.

(b) There is in the Business, Transportation, and Housing Agency a Department of Corporations, which has the responsibility for administering various laws. In order to effectively support the Department of Corporations in the administration of these laws, there is hereby established the State Corporations Fund. All expenses and salaries of the Department of Corporations shall be paid out of the State Corporations Fund. Therefore, notwithstanding any provision of any law administered by the Department of Corporations declaring that fees, reimbursements, assessments, or other money or amounts charged and collected by the Department of Corporations under these laws are to be delivered or transmitted to the Treasurer and deposited to the credit of the General Fund, on and after July 1, 1992, all fees, reimbursements, assessments, and other money or amounts charged and collected under these laws and attributable to the 1992–93 fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years shall be delivered or transmitted to the Treasurer and deposited to the credit of the State Corporations Fund.

(Amended Ch. 1018, Stats. 1991. Effective January 1, 1992.)

13979. The secretary shall develop and report to the Governor on legislative, budgetary, and administrative programs to accomplish comprehensive, long-range, coordinated planning and policy formulation in the matters of public interest related to the agency. To accomplish this end, the secretary may hold public hearings, consult with and use the services and cooperation of other state agencies, employ staff and consultants, and appoint advisory and technical committees to assist in the work.

(Amended Ch. 138, Stats. 1969. Effective November 10, 1969.)

13980. For the purpose of administration, the secretary shall review the organization of the agency and report to the Governor on such changes as he deems necessary properly to segregate and conduct the work of the agency.

(Amended Ch. 138, Stats. 1969. Effective November 10, 1969.)

13981. The secretary and any other officer or employee within the agency designated in writing by the secretary shall have the power of a head of a department pursuant to Article 2, commencing with Section 11180) of Chapter 2, Part 1, Division 3, Title 2 of the Government Code.)

(Amended Ch. 138, Stats. 1969. Effective November 10, 1969.)

13982. Whenever a power is granted to the secretary the power may be exercised by such officer or employee within the agency as designated in writing by the secretary.

(Amended Ch. 138, Stats. 1969. Effective November 10, 1969.)

13983. The secretary shall conduct a program relating to the medical aspects of traffic injury and accident control.

(Amended Ch. 138, Stats. 1969. Effective November 10, 1969.)

Department of Transportation

14001. There is in the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency a Department of Transportation.

Any reference in any law or regulation to the Department of Public Works shall be deemed to refer to the Department of Transportation.

(Amended Ch. 454, Stats. 1982. Effective January 1, 1983.)

14008. The department succeeds to and is vested with all the duties, powers, purposes, responsibilities, and jurisdiction vested in the Department of Aeronautics, the Department of Public Works, and the Office of Transportation Planning and Research, with the exceptions of those functions and duties reserved to the board in Section 13990.6 on July 1, 1973.

(Added Ch. 1253, Stats. 1972. Effective March 7, 1973.)

14030. The powers and duties of the department shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following activities:

(a) Supporting the commission in coordinating and developing, in cooperation with local and regional entities, comprehensive balanced transportation planning and policy for the movement of people and goods within the state.

(b) Coordinating and assisting, upon request of, the various public and private transportation entities in strengthening their development and operation of balanced integrated mass transportation, highway, aviation, maritime, railroad, and other transportation facilities and services in support of statewide and regional goals.

(c) Developing, in cooperation with local and regional transportation entities, the full potential of all resources and opportunities which are now, and may become, available to the state and to regional and local agencies for meeting California's transportation needs, as provided by statutes and, in particular, maximizing the amount of federal funds which may be available to the state and increasing the efficiency by which such funds are utilized.

(d) Planning, designing, constructing, operating, and maintaining those transportation systems which the Legislature has made, or may make, the responsibility of the department; provided that the department is not authorized to assume the functions of project planning, designing, constructing, operating, or maintaining maritime or aviation facilities without express prior approval of the Legislature with the exception of those aviation functions which have been designated for the department in the Public Utilities Code.

- (e) Coordinating and developing transportation research projects of statewide interest.
- (f) Exercising such other functions, powers, and duties as are or may be provided for by law.
- (g) With the Department of Housing and Community Development, investigating and reporting to the Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency upon the consistency between state, local, and federal housing plans and programs and state, local, and federal transportation plans and programs.

(Amended Ch. 144, Stats. 1984. Effective January 1, 1985.)

State Parking Facilities

14677. Any state agency, with the approval of the director, may permit motor vehicle parking by state officers and employees or other persons upon state property under the jurisdiction or control of such agency and may prescribe the terms and conditions of such parking including the payment of parking fees in such amounts and under such circumstances as may be determined by the state agency with the approval of the Director of General Services. Different rates of parking fees, based upon the number of riders in each vehicle, may be charged.

No such parking shall be permitted by any state agency except pursuant to this section.

Varying rates of parking fees may be established for different localities or for different parking facilities.

This section shall not apply to facilities constructed under the State College Revenue Bond Act of 1947, nor shall it apply to the parking of legislators' motor vehicles in the State Capitol Garage.

The Legislature hereby declares it to be the policy of the state to permit motor vehicle parking by state officers and employees or other persons on state-owned or controlled property to the extent reasonably possible and subject to the charging of parking fees under such circumstances and in such amounts as may be deemed appropriate.

The Legislature by this section does not intend to authorize the institution of a public parking program unrelated to state purposes and in competition with private industry.

(Amended Ch. 882, Stats. 1980. Effective September 11, 1980.)

14678.5. (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 14678, the Department of General Services may enter into agreements with the federal government, including

the Urban Mass Transportation Administration, and local agencies to implement demonstration employee mass transportation programs under which the revenues of the project in the form of parking fees are used to repay the costs of the program. For those purposes, the revenue from parking fees generated by the parking facility or facilities in the project shall be allocated to the project pursuant to the agreement. This subdivision shall apply only to the Van Nuys State Office Building.

(b) The director may, for a period not longer than the demonstration employee mass transportation program implemented pursuant to subdivision (a), allocate parking fees from employees at facilities leased by the state in the Van Nuys area and use those parking fees collected to finance the demonstration program implemented in that

area.

- (c) The revenue from parking fees from facilities leased by the state in the Van Nuys area is appropriated without regard to fiscal years to the department for allocation to the project described in subdivision (a) for a period not longer than the demonstration program implemented pursuant to that subdivision.
 - (Added Ch. 1142, Stats. 1982. Effective September 20, 1982.)
- **14679.** (a) Any parking facility under the jurisdiction or control of any state agency, which is available to private persons who desire to conduct business with a state agency, shall reserve for the use of physically handicapped persons a minimum of one parking space if the facility contains 100 or fewer spaces and another space for each additional 100 parking spaces or fraction thereof. Additional spaces shall be provided where usage indicates a greater need. Such space or spaces shall be reserved by posting immediately adjacent to and visible from such space or spaces a sign consisting of a profile view of a wheelchair with occupant in white on a blue background.
- (b) If no parking facility under the jurisdiction and control of a state agency is available to private persons who desire to conduct business with the state agency, the state agency shall request the local authority having jurisdiction over streets immediately adjacent to the property of the state agency to provide parking spaces for the use of physically handicapped persons pursuant to Section 22511.7 of the Vehicle Code.
- (c) As used in this section, "parking facility" means any facility or combination of facilities for parking which contains six or more parking spaces but does not include any facility constructed, altered, structurally repaired, or added to subsequent to the operative date of regulations adopted by the State Architect pursuant to Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 4450), Division 5, Title 1 of this code.
- (d) As used in this section, "physically handicapped person" includes any person described in Section 9105 or 22511.5 of the Vehicle Code.

(Added Ch. 590, Stats. 1977. Effective January 1, 1978.)

- **14679.5.** (a) Any state agency which has under its jurisdiction or control any parking facility, which is available to state officers and employees or to private persons who desire to conduct business with a state agency, shall construct, operate, and maintain bicycle and moped parking facilities for the use of bicycle and moped riders.
- (b) If no parking facility under the jurisdiction and control of a state agency is available to state officers and employees or to private persons who desire to conduct business with a state agency, the state agency shall request the local authority having jurisdiction over streets and sidewalks immediately adjacent to the property of the state agency to provide parking spaces upon which parking facilities for use by bicycle and moped riders shall be constructed, operated, and maintained by such agency.
- (c) As used in this section, "parking facility" means any facility or combination of facilities for parking which contains six or more parking spaces.

(Added Ch. 934, Stats. 1980. Effective January 1, 1981.

- **16302.1.** Whenever any person pays to any state agency pursuant to law an amount covering taxes, penalties, interest, license or other fees, or any other payment, and it is subsequently determined by the state agency responsible for the collection thereof that this amount includes an overpayment of ten dollars (\$10) or less of the amount due the state pursuant to the assessment, levy, or charge to which the payment is applicable, the amount of the overpayment may be disposed of in either of the following ways:
- (a) The state agency responsible for the collection to which the overpayment relates may apply the amount of the overpayment as a payment by the person on any other taxes, penalties, interest, license or other fees, or any other amount due the state from that person if the state agency is responsible by law for the collection to which the overpayment is to be applied as a payment.

(b) Upon written request of the state agency responsible for the collection to which the overpayment relates, the amount of the overpayment shall, on order of the Controller, be deposited as revenue in the fund in the State Treasury into which the collection, exclusive of overpayments, is required by law to be deposited.

The State Board of Control may adopt rules and regulations to permit state agencies to retain these overpayments where a demand for refund permitted by law is not made within six months after the refund becomes due, and the retained overpayments shall belong to the state.

Except as provided in the foregoing paragraph, this section shall not affect the right of any person making overpayment of any amount to the state to make a claim for refund of the overpayment, nor the authority of any state agency or official to make payment of any amount so claimed, if otherwise authorized by law.

(Amended Sec. 10, Ch. 95, Stats. 1999. Effective July 13, 1999.)

After possession is taken of any vehicle by or on behalf of any legal owner thereof under the terms of a security agreement or lease agreement, the debtor shall pay the sheriff a fee of fifteen dollars (\$15) for the receipt and filing of the report of repossession pursuant to Section 28 of the Vehicle Code before the vehicle may be redeemed by the debtor. Except as provided herein, any person in possession of the vehicle shall not release it to the debtor without first obtaining proof of payment of the fee to the sheriff. At the request of the debtor, a person in possession of the vehicle, or the legal owner, may also release the vehicle to the debtor provided the debtor pays the fifteen dollar (\$15) fee, plus an administrative fee not to exceed five dollars (\$5), to the person in possession or the legal owner, who shall transmit the fifteen dollar (\$15) fee to the sheriff within three business days. The failure to transmit the fee within three business days shall subject the person in possession or legal owner receiving the fee from the debtor to a fine of fifty dollars (\$50). The proof of payment, or a copy thereof, shall be retained by the party releasing possession to the debtor for the period required by law, and the party releasing possession shall provide a copy of the proof of payment to the debtor upon request of the debtor.

(Amended Ch. 1114, Stats. 1994. Effective January 1, 1995. Supersedes Ch. 146.)

29145. (a) Commencing on December 31, 2001, the County Successor to Vehicle License Fee Resulting From IRP Conformity Account is hereby created as a special fund in the General Fund. All money in the County Successor to Vehicle License Fee Resulting From IRP Conformity Account is hereby continuously appropriated, without regard to fiscal years, to the Controller for allocation in accordance with subdivision (c).

(b) All of the following shall occur on a quarterly basis:

(1) The Department of Motor Vehicles, in consultation with the Department of Finance, shall estimate the revenues that represent the amount of vehicle license fees which would be paid by trailers and semitrailers pursuant to the Vehicle License Fee Law (Part 5 (commencing with Section 10701) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code) had Sections 5014.1 and 9400.1 of the Vehicle Code not been enacted, which would be allocated to a county or city and county pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 11005 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(2) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall inform the Controller, in writing, of the

amount estimated under paragraph (1).

- (c) The Controller shall then transfer from the General Fund, on a quarterly basis to each county, including a city and county, from the total sums computed pursuant to subdivision (b) an amount which represents the total population of that county bears to the total population of all the counties in the state, as determined pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 11005 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (d) Funds received by any county, or city and county pursuant to this section may be used by that county, or city and county in the same manner as if those funds were received pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (e) of Section 11005 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(Added Sec. 3, Ch. 861, Stats. 2000. Effective September 29, 2000. Operative December 31, 2001.)

41612. After possession is taken of any vehicle by or on behalf of any legal owner thereof under the terms of a security agreement or lease agreement, the debtor shall pay the chief of police or a parking authority operated by a city and county a fee of fifteen dollars (\$15) for the receipt and filing of the report of repossession pursuant to Section 28 of the Vehicle Code before the vehicle may be redeemed by the debtor. Except as provided herein, any person in possession of the vehicle shall not release it to the debtor without first obtaining proof of payment of the fee to the chief of police or

parking authority. At the request of the debtor, a person in possession of the vehicle, or the legal owner, may also release the vehicle to the debtor provided the debtor pays the fifteen dollar (\$15) fee, plus an administrative fee not to exceed five dollars (\$5), to the person in possession or the legal owner who shall transmit the fifteen dollar (\$15) fee to the chief of police or parking authority within three business days. Failure to transmit the fee within three business days shall subject the person in possession or the legal owner receiving the fee from the debtor to a fine of fifty dollars (\$50). The proof of payment, or a copy thereof, shall be retained by the party releasing possession to the debtor for the period required by law, and the party releasing possession shall provide a copy of the proof of payment to the debtor upon request of the debtor.

(Amended Ch. 1114, Stats. 1994. Effective January 1, 1995. Supersedes Ch. 146.)

- **43402.** (a) Commencing on December 31, 2001, the City Successor to Vehicle License Fee Resulting From IRP Conformity Account is hereby created as a special fund in the General Fund. All money in the City Successor to Vehicle License Fee Resulting From IRP Conformity Account is hereby continuously appropriated, without regard to fiscal years, to the Controller for allocation in accordance with subdivision (c).
- (b) All of the following shall occur on a quarterly basis:
- (1) The Department of Motor Vehicles, in consultation with the Department of Finance, shall estimate the revenues that represent the amount of vehicle license fees which would be paid by trailers and semitrailers pursuant to the Vehicle License Fee Law (Part 5 (commencing with Section 10701) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code) had Sections 5014.1 and 9400.1 of the Vehicle Code not been enacted, which would be allocated to a city or city and county pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 11005 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (2) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall inform the Controller, in writing, of the amount estimated under paragraph (1).
- (c) The Controller shall then transfer from the General Fund, on a quarterly basis to each city, including a city and county, from the total sums computed pursuant to subdivision (b) an amount that represents the total population of that city bears to the total population of all the cities in the state, as determined pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 11005 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (d) Funds received by any city pursuant to this section may be used by that city, or city and county in the same manner as if those funds were received pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (e) of Section 11005 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(Added Sec. 4, Ch. 861, Stats. 2000. Effective September 29, 2000. Operative December 31, 2001.)

53086. Whenever a peace officer arrests any person for operating as a taxicab without a valid taxicab certificate, license, or permit required by any ordinance, and the offense occurred at a public airport, within 100 feet of a public airport, or within two miles of the California/Mexico international border, the peace officer may impound and retain possession of any vehicle used in a violation of the ordinance.

If the vehicle is seized from a person who is not the owner of the vehicle, the impounding authority shall immediately give notice to the owner by first-class mail.

The vehicle shall immediately be returned to the owner without cost to the owner if the infraction or violation is not prosecuted or is dismissed, the owner is found not guilty of the offense, or it is determined that the vehicle was used in violation of the ordinance without the knowledge and consent of the owner. Otherwise, the vehicle shall be returned to the owner upon payment of any fine ordered by the court. After the expiration of six weeks from the final disposition of the criminal case, the impounding authority may deal with the vehicle as lost or abandoned property under Section 1411 of the Penal Code.

At any time, a person may make a motion in municipal court for the immediate return of a vehicle on the ground that there was no probable cause to seize it or that there is some other good cause, as determined by the court, for the return of the vehicle.

No peace officer, however, shall impound any vehicle owned or operated by a nonprofit organization exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code which serves youth or senior citizens and provides transportation incidental to its programs or services.

(Added Ch. 1116, Stats. 1990. Effective January 1, 1991.)

Costs of Emergency Response

53150. Any person who is under the influence of an alcoholic beverage or any drug,

or the combined influence of an alcoholic beverage and any drug, whose negligent operation of a motor vehicle caused by that influence proximately causes any incident resulting in an appropriate emergency response, and any person whose intentionally wrongful conduct proximately causes any incident resulting in an appropriate emergency response, is liable for the expense of an emergency response by a public agency to the incident.

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

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53151. Any person who is under the influence of an alcoholic beverage or any drug, or the combined influence of an alcoholic beverage and any drug, whose negligent operation of any boat or vessel caused by that influence proximately causes any incident resulting in an appropriate emergency response, and any person whose intentionally wrongful conduct proximately causes any incident resulting in an appropriate emergency response, is liable for the expense of an emergency response by a public agency to the incident.

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

53152. Any person who is under the influence of an alcoholic beverage or any drug, or the combined influence of an alcoholic beverage and any drug, whose negligent operation of a civil aircraft caused by that influence proximately causes any incident resulting in an appropriate emergency response, and any person whose intentionally wrongful conduct proximately causes an incident resulting in an appropriate emergency response, is liable for the expense of an emergency response by a public agency to the incident.

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

53153. For purposes of this article, a person is under the influence of an alcoholic beverage or any drug, or the combined influence of an alcoholic beverage and any drug, when as a result of drinking an alcoholic beverage or using a drug, or both, his or her physical or mental abilities are impaired to a degree that he or she no longer has the ability to operate a motor vehicle, boat or vessel, or aircraft with the caution characteristic of a sober person of ordinary prudence under the same or similar circumstances. For purposes of this article, the presumption described in Sections 23152 and 23155 of the Vehicle Code shall apply.

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

53154. The expense of an emergency response shall be a charge against the person liable for expenses under this article. The charge constitutes a debt of that person and is collectible by the public agency incurring those costs in the same manner as in the case of an obligation under a contract, expressed or implied, except that liability for the expenses provided for in this article shall not be insurable and no insurance policy shall provide or pay for the expenses.

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

 ${\bf 53155}$. In no event shall a person's liability under this article for the expense of an emergency response exceed five hundred dollars (\$500) for a particular incident.

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

53156. As used in this article:

- (a) "Expense of an emergency response" means reasonable costs incurred by a public agency in reasonably making an appropriate emergency response to the incident, including the costs of providing police, firefighting, rescue, and emergency medical services at the scene of the incident, but shall only include those costs directly arising because of the response to the particular incident.
- (b) "Public agency" means the state and any city, county, municipal corporation, district, or public authority located, in whole or in part, within this state which provides or may provide firefighting, police, ambulance, medical, or other emergency services.
- (c) "Intentionally wrongful conduct" means conduct intended to injure another person or property. $\,$

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

53157. Any testimony, admission, or any other statement made by the defendant in any proceeding brought pursuant to this article, or any evidence derived from the testimony, admission, or other statement, shall not be admitted or otherwise used in any criminal proceeding arising out of the same incident.

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

53158. It is not the intent of the Legislature, in enacting this article, to occupy the field of recovery of the expense of an emergency response by a public agency, nor is it the intent of the Legislature to preempt local regulations or to otherwise limit the

remedies available to any public agency to recover the expenses of an emergency response to any incident not involving persons who operate a motor vehicle, boat or vessel, or civil aircraft while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage or any drug, or the combined influence of an alcoholic beverage and any drug.

(Added Ch. 337, Stats. 1985. Effective January 1, 1986.)

A court for which the necessary seal has not been provided, or the judge or judges of that court, shall provide it. The expense shall be an item of court operations. Until the seal is provided the clerk or judge of each court may use his or her private seal whenever a seal is required.

(Amended Sec. 17, Ch. 824, Stats. 2001. Effective January 1, 2002.)

68097. Witnesses in civil cases may demand the payment of their mileage and fees for one day, in advance, and when so demanded shall not be compelled to attend until the allowances are paid except as hereinafter provided for employees of the Department of Justice who are peace officers or analysts in technical fields, peace officers of the Department of the California Highway Patrol, peace officer members of the State Fire Marshal's office, other state employees, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, marshals, deputy marshals, district attorney inspectors, probation officers, building inspectors, firefighters, and city police officers. For the purposes of this section and Sections 68097.1 to 68097.10, inclusive, only, the term "peace officer of the California Highway Patrol" shall include those persons employed as vehicle inspection specialists by the Department of the California Highway Patrol, the term "firefighter" has the definition provided in Section 50925, and a volunteer firefighter shall be deemed to be employed by the public entity for which he or she volunteers as a firefighter. (Amended Sec. 34, Ch. 305, Stats. 1996. Effective January 1, 1997.)

Peace Officer as Civil Witness

68097.10. Whenever an employee of the Department of Justice who is a peace officer or an analyst in a technical field, peace officer of the Department of the California Highway Patrol, peace officer member of the State Fire Marshal's office, sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, deputy marshal, firefighter, or city police officer appears as a witness pursuant to Section 68097.1 and reimbursement is not made as provided for in Section 68097.2, then the Department of Justice, the Department of the California Highway Patrol, the State Fire Marshal's office, or the public entity employing the employee, sheriff, deputy sheriff, marshal, deputy marshal, firefighter, or city police officer shall have standing to bring an action in order to recover the funds. (Amended Sec. 40, Ch. 305, Stats. 1996. Effective January 1, 1997.)